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THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



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1           [There is no reportable action as a result of the  
2           Board of Supervisors' closed session held today.]

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6   (GAVEL)

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8   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** GOOD MORNING. IF WE COULD HAVE YOUR  
9   ATTENTION, PLEASE. I ASK EVERYONE TO PLEASE RISE. WE WILL BE  
10   LED IN THE INVOCATION THIS MORNING BY RABBI DOV GOTTESFELD.  
11   TEMPLE TORAH IN BRENTWOOD. THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WILL BE  
12   LED BY ROBERT S. BOYD, POST COMMANDER GILBERT W. LINDSEY,  
13   CARSON, THE AMERICAN LEGION. RABBI?

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15   **RABBI DOV GOTTESFELD:** IT IS AN HONOR. SO, FRIENDS, HONORABLE  
16   BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTRYMEN, LEND ME YOUR EARS. I COME TO  
17   BRING SHALOM UNTO YOU, NOT THEOLOGY. SHALOM IN HEBREW MEANS  
18   HELLO, GOODBYE AND PEACE. ALL THREE WORDS SHARE A COMMON ROOT,  
19   WHICH MEANS WHOLENESS AND UNITY. IN THIS MEETING IN WHICH  
20   PUBLIC MATTERS ARE TO BE DECIDED, WHOLENESS AND UNITY AMONG  
21   YOU IS A MUST. TO UNIFY ALL THE DISTRICTS INTO ONE BIG SHALOM.  
22   IN BIBLICAL TIME WHEN REPRESENTATIVES FROM DIFFERENT DISTRICTS  
23   OR TRIBES ASSEMBLED, TO DECIDE ON COMMUNAL MATTERS SUCH AS  
24   DIGGING WELLS AND GRASSLAND RIGHTS. THEY WOULD FIRST RAISE UP  
25   THEIR ARMS TO PUSH THEIR CAPES ASIDE TO REVEAL THAT THEY WERE



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1 NOT ARMED AND PROCEED TO HUG ONE ANOTHER. IT WAS A CUSTOM OF  
2 BRINGING SHALOM ON BEHALF OF THEIR TRIBES. IT WAS A MUTUAL  
3 GOAL TO SURVIVE AND THRIVE. MAY EACH ONE OF YOU OFFER SHALOM  
4 TO EACH OTHER ON BEHALF OF YOUR DISTRICT. SO OPEN YOUR ARMS  
5 AND GIVE HUGS TO EACH OTHER, OR AT LEAST SHAKE HANDS WITH BOTH  
6 HANDS TO EXPERIENCE THE DIFFERENCE IN THE NEGOTIATIONS. IT  
7 WILL BE A SHALOM THAT WILL FASHION WHOLENESS AND UNITY, NOT  
8 ONLY AMONG YOURSELVES, BUT ALSO AMONG YOUR CONSTITUENTS TO  
9 MAKE LOS ANGELES EVEN A GREATER CITY AND LET EVERYONE SAY  
10 SHALOM! MAY IT BE SO.

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12 **ROBERT S. BOYD:** PLEASE JOIN ME IN THE AMERICAN LEGION. [PLEDGE  
13 OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED.]

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15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. RABBI, HERE YOU  
18 ARE. IT'S AN HONOR TO HAVE RABBI DOV GOTTESFELD HERE THIS  
19 MORNING TO LEAD US IN THE INVOCATION. RABBI GOTTESFELD IS A  
20 FELLOW RABBI AT TEMPLE AHAVAT TORAH IN BRENTWOOD. HE  
21 OFFICIATES AT LIFECYCLE EVENTS IN THE GREATER LOS ANGELES  
22 AREA. HE PROVIDES CHAPLAINCY SERVICES FOR OLD AGE HOMES WHERE  
23 HE ALSO LECTURES ON THEOLOGICAL AND LIVING THEMES FOR SENIORS.  
24 IN HIS BLOG, TORAHHOLIC.WORDPRESS.COM RABBI GOTTESFELD OFFERS  
25 CONSTRUCTIVE APPROACHES TO HEALTHIER LIVING BY INTEGRATING

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1 PRACTICAL AND EFFORTLESS DAILY PRACTICES TO DAILY TASKS AND  
2 ROUTINES. RABBI GOTTESFELD'S DESIRE IS TO EMPOWER PEOPLE TO  
3 SEE AND HEAR BEYOND THE PHYSICAL LIMITATIONS OF THEIR EYES AND  
4 EARS. WE'RE HONORED TO HAVE YOU HERE, RABBI, AND I THINK IT'S  
5 YOUR FIRST TIME AT LEAST SINCE I'VE BEEN HERE AND WE WISH YOU  
6 SHALOM.

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN AND COLLEAGUES.  
11 I'M PLEASED TO HAVE WITH US THIS MORNING ROBERT S. BOYD WHO  
12 WAS A SEAMAN IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY FROM 1959 TO 1962.  
13 DURING THE VIETNAM WAR, HE SERVED ON THE U.S.S. MIDWAY WITH  
14 THE VA-41 UNIT. HE WAS AWARDED A VIETNAM SERVICE RIBBON. HE IS  
15 NOW RETIRED AND SERVED AS THE POST COMMANDER OF THE GILBERT W.  
16 LINDSEY AMERICAN LEGION POST. HE HAS LIVED IN THE SECOND  
17 DISTRICT FOR 49 YEARS AND IS NOW A RESIDENT OF THE CITY OF  
18 CARSON. HE IS MARRIED AND THE PROUD FATHER OF FOUR SONS. IN  
19 ADDITION TO HIS SERVICE WITH THE AMERICAN LEGION, HE SPENDS  
20 HIS TIME FISHING AND CAMPING. AND SO IT'S ON BEHALF OF THE  
21 ENTIRE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS THAT WE EXTEND OUR HEARTFELT  
22 APPRECIATION TO ROBERT S. BOYD. SIR, WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
23 SERVICE TO OUR NATION. [APPLAUSE.]

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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, BOTH. MADAM EXECUTIVE  
2    OFFICER, WE WILL PROCEED WITH THE AGENDA, PLEASE.

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4    **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN,  
5    MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE  
6    THREE, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT  
7    COMMISSION, ITEMS 1-D THROUGH 3-D. ON ITEM NUMBER 3-D,  
8    SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED  
9    ONE WEEK TO FEBRUARY 11, 2014. ITEMS 1-D AND 2-D ARE BEFORE  
10   YOU.

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12   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON THE REMAINDER. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR  
13   ANTONOVICH WITHOUT OBJECTION SO BE THE ORDER.

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15   **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON PAGE FIVE, BOARD OF  
16   SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 1-12. ON ITEM 3, SUPERVISOR THOMAS AND A  
17   MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.

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19   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WHICH ITEM IS THAT?

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21   **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THREE. ON ITEM NUMBER 4 THERE IS A  
22   REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM  
23   NUMBER 8, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THIS ITEM BE  
24   CONTINUED ONE WEEK. ON ITEM NUMBER 9 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS  
25   REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK. ON ITEM NUMBER

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1 10, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST  
2 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NUMBER 11, THERE'S A REQUEST  
3 FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEMMENT AND THE  
4 REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR  
7 YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION,  
8 SO ORDERED.

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10 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON PAGE 11, CONSENT CALENDAR,  
11 ITEMS 13 THROUGH 39, ON ITEM NUMBER 13, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-  
12 THOMAS AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE  
13 HELD. ON ITEM NUMBER 15, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF  
14 THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEMS NUMBER 17 AND 18,  
15 THERE'S ALSO A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD  
16 THESE ITEMS. ON ITEM NUMBER 19, SUPERVISOR MOLINA AND A MEMBER  
17 OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NUMBER  
18 21, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE  
19 CONTINUED ONE WEEK.

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHICH ONE WAS THAT?

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23 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** TWENTY-ONE. ON ITEM NUMBER 23,  
24 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS  
25 ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER 20-- EXCUSE ME ON ITEM NUMBER 30, THERE'S

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1 A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON  
2 ITEM NUMBER 31, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE  
3 FIRE CHIEF REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO  
4 FEBRUARY 18, 2014, ALONG WITH THE FOLLOWING REVISION,  
5 "ADVERTISE AND SET MARCH 25, 2014 FOR HEARING ON ADOPTION OF  
6 THE ORDINANCE." ON ITEM NUMBER 33, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A  
7 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER 34,  
8 COUNTY COUNSEL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK.  
9 ON ITEM NUMBER 35, COUNTY COUNSEL ALSO REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM  
10 BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO FEBRUARY 18, 2014.

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12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** TWO WEEKS?

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14 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** TWO WEEKS. AND ON ITEM NUMBER 38,  
15 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS  
16 ITEM. THE REMAINING ITEMS ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR ARE BEFORE  
17 YOU.

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON THE REMAINED THE CHAIR WILL MOVE.  
20 SUPERVISOR MOLINA WILL SECOND, WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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22 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON PAGE 26, ORDINANCE FOR  
23 INTRODUCTION, ITEM NUMBER 40 AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL  
24 AGENDA THE FIRE CHIEF REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO  
25 WEEKS TO FEBRUARY 18, 2014 ALONG WITH THE FOLLOWING REVISION



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1 "WAIVE READING AND PLACE ON THE MARCH 25, 2014 AGENDA FOR  
2 HEARING ON ADOPTION." ON PAGE 27, DISCUSSION ITEMS, ITEMS 41  
3 AND 42, ON ITEM NUMBER 41, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL  
4 AGENDA, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE  
5 CONTINUED THREE WEEKS TO FEBRUARY 25, 2014. ON ITEM NUMBER 42,  
6 AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA, AT THE MEETING OF JANUARY  
7 7, 2014, THE BOARD CONTINUED THIS ITEM TO FEBRUARY 11TH. PAGE  
8 28, MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED  
9 MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING AS INDICATED ON  
10 THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM NUMBER 43-A, THAT ITEM IS  
11 BEFORE YOU.

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13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. THE  
14 CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO BE THE ORDER.

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16 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** AND ON ITEM NUMBER 43-B, THERE'S A  
17 REQUEST FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM.

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IT WILL BE HELD.

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21 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE  
22 AGENDA, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH  
23 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NUMBER 4.

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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I HAVE A VERY DISTINCT PLEASURE AND  
2    HONOR OF WELCOMING THE 2013 ST. JOHN BOSCO FOOTBALL TEAM.  
3    JOINING THEM TODAY ARE THEIR HEAD COACH JASON NEGRO.  
4    [APPLAUSE.] SOME BIG BOYS UP HERE. ALSO KEEP IN MIND  
5    TOMORROW'S NATIONAL COLLEGIATE SIGNING DAY, TOO. I'M TRYING TO  
6    GET OUT OF SOME OF THEM, BUT THEY WON'T TELL ME. BUT IN  
7    ADDITION TO COACH NEGRO, THE OFFENSIVE COORDINATOR CHAD  
8    JOHNSON, ASSISTANT COACHES NATE MUNSON, PAUL DIAZ AND JIMMY  
9    ADAMS. FOOTBALL OPERATIONS MANAGER JESSE CHRISTIANSON AND  
10    PRESIDENT OF THE ST. JOHN BOSCO PAUL OSCALA AS WELL AS  
11    PRINCIPAL CASEY YAZEL. THE 2013 ST. JOHN BOSCO VARSITY  
12    FOOTBALL TEAM HAD A 16-0, PERFECT SEASON AND OUTSCORED THEIR  
13    OPPONENTS 755-264. THE BRAVES WERE THE 2013 TRINITY LEAGUE  
14    CHAMPIONS, 2013 C.I.F. PAC-5 DIVISION FOOTBALL CHAMPIONS, 2000  
15    C.I.F. CALIFORNIA STATE CHAMPIONS, AND WERE NAMED THE 2013  
16    NATIONAL CHAMPIONS BY MACK PREPS CAL PREPS FREEMAN AND U.S.A.  
17    TODAY, THE MASSEY RANKING SERVICES. [APPLAUSE.] THERE MIGHT BE  
18    SOME HEAD COACHES OUT IN THE AUDIENCE WHO WE GOT TO WATCH.  
19    THEY CAPTURED THEIR FIRST C.I.F. TITLE IN SCHOOL HISTORY BY  
20    DEFEATING MATER DEI BY THE SCORE OF 34-7 AT THE PAC-5  
21    CHAMPIONSHIP GAME IN ANGELS STADIUM. AND THEN ON DECEMBER 14,  
22    THEY WON THE C.I.F. REGIONAL BOWL GAME PLAYED AT CERRITOS  
23    COLLEGE WITH A 70-49 VICTORY OVER CENTENNIAL HIGH SCHOOL. THEN  
24    ON DECEMBER 22ND, AT THE STUB HUB CENTER IN CARSON, IN FRONT  
25    OF 17,000 FANS, WHICH WAS THE LARGEST IN THE EIGHT-YEAR

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1 HISTORY OF THE C.I.F. BOWL GAMES, ST. JOHN BOSCO DEFEATED  
2 CONCORD DE LA SALLE BY A SCORE OF 20-14 TO WIN THE OPEN C.I.F.  
3 STATE CHAMPIONSHIP. IN THE STATE TITLE GAME QUARTERBACK JOSH  
4 ROSEN COMPLETED 12 OF 17 PASSES FOR 200 YARDS, TWO TOUCHDOWNS.  
5 RUNNING BACK SEAN MCGREW RUSHED FOR 143 YARDS AND 24 CARRIES  
6 AND JALEEL WADOOD CAUGHT FIVE PASSES FOR 113 YARDS AND THAT  
7 INCLUDES THOSE TOUCHDOWNS. AS I TOLD THEM UPSTAIRS, THIS IS AN  
8 INCREDIBLE RIDE. I TOLD THEM TO REALLY SAVOR THE MOMENT. THIS  
9 DOESN'T HAPPEN OFTEN IN ONE'S LIFETIME. THEY'RE HAVING A GREAT  
10 TIME BACK HERE AND HAVE HAD A GREAT RIDE. WHEN I SAY FAST  
11 FORWARD A FEW YEARS THEY WILL LOOK BACK AT THIS MOMENT AS A  
12 VERY, VERY SPECIAL MOMENT NOT JUST IN VICTORY BUT WHAT THEY  
13 ACCOMPLISHED AS A TEAM; 16-0 IN FOOTBALL, FOLKS, WE KNOW  
14 THAT'S ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE TO DO. SO, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, IT'S  
15 MY PRIVILEGE TO PRESENT TO YOU THE NATIONAL CHAMPIONS, THE  
16 NATIONAL CHAMPIONS, ST. JOHN BOSCO HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM.  
17 [APPLAUSE.] AND WHILE WE'RE AT IT, WE ALSO HAVE ANOTHER SCROLL  
18 WE'RE GOING TO PRESENT. WE'LL DO A TEAM PHOTO UP HERE, BUT I  
19 HAVE A SPECIAL PRESENTATION FOR THE HEAD COACH, JASON NEGRO.  
20 JASON IS A ST. JOHN BOSCO GRADUATE, CLASS OF 1991. AND IN THE  
21 FOUR YEARS SINCE HE RETURNED AS A COACH, HE HAS TURNED THE  
22 FOOTBALL PROGRAM TO A PAC-5 DIVISION POWERHOUSE OF INNING WITH  
23 NATIONWIDE RECOGNITION WITH TWO CONSECUTIVE TRINITY LEAGUE  
24 CHAMPIONSHIPS AND AS I MENTIONED AS HEAD COACH IN 2013, THE  
25 MOST SUCCESSFUL SEASON IN SCHOOL HISTORY. COACH NEGRO IN HIS

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1 OWN WAY HAS BEEN NAMED THE 2013 NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL COACH OF  
2 THE YEAR BY THE U.S. ARMY ALL-AMERICAN BOWL, AMERICAN FOOTBALL  
3 MONTHLY AND MAX PREPS. AND HE ALSO RECEIVED THE RECOGNITION  
4 FROM THE PAC-5 DIVISION AS WELL AS THE "PRESS- TELEGRAM" DREAM  
5 TEAM. SO, INCLUDING IN HIS INCREDIBLE RECORD OF 37-14 THIS  
6 FOUR SEASONS, HE HAD THIS INCREDIBLE LAST SEASON UNDEFEATED IN  
7 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS. HE NOT ONLY DOES THE JOB ON THE FELD  
8 AND OFF THE FIELD, BUT BEING AROUND THESE YOUNG MEN, I KNOW HE  
9 HAS AN IMPACT ON THE LIVES THEY HAVE OUTSIDE THE FOOTBALL  
10 ARENA. JASON, WE WANT TO PRESENT THIS TO YOU, AS WELL,  
11 CONGRATULATE YOU AS NATIONAL COACH OF THE YEAR. [APPLAUSE.]  
12 ALL RIGHT, COACH NEGRO IS GOING TO SAY A COUPLE OF WORD.

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14 **COACH JASON NEGRO:** ON BEHALF OF ST. JOHN BOSCO HIGH SCHOOL  
15 AND OUR ENTIRE FOOTBALL PROGRAM, WE'RE REPRESENTED TODAY BY  
16 OUR SENIOR AND WE HAVE THREE UNDERCLASSMEN AS WELL. I'D LIKE  
17 TO THANK MY COACHING STAFF FOR ATTENDING TODAY. WE WOULD LIKE  
18 TO THANK THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES,  
19 THE CITY OF BELLFLOWER, SUPERVISOR KNABE. WE'RE REALLY EXCITED  
20 ABOUT WHAT ST. JOHN BOSCO HAS BEEN ABLE TO ACCOMPLISH. THE  
21 CITY OF BELLFLOWER ARE VERY PROUD. AND TO BE ANNOUNCED  
22 NATIONAL CHAMPIONS IS SOMETHING THAT WE'RE REALLY EXCITED TO  
23 BRING BACK TO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. SO THANK YOU VERY  
24 MUCH FOR HAVING US TODAY. [APPLAUSE.]

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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** CONGRATULATIONS, GUYS. GOOD LUCK  
2    TOMORROW. I'LL BE WATCHING THE PAPERS. WHAT EIGHT O'CLOCK?

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4    **TEAM:** YES, SIR.

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6    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALRIGHT.

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8    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIR AND MEMBERS, TODAY WE'RE  
9    COMMEMORATING THE 103RD ANNIVERSARY OF PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN  
10   AND HIS SON MICHAEL REAGAN IS HERE AS WE HAVE THIS RESPECT FOR  
11   THE 103RD BIRTHDAY OF RONALD REAGAN. I HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF  
12   SERVING WITH THE PRESIDENT WHEN HE WAS GOVERNOR AND LATER AS  
13   HIS REPRESENTATIVE TO WRITE THE 1976 REPUBLICAN PLATFORM IN  
14   KANSAS CITY. AND THEN TO SERVE HIM WHEN HE WAS PRESIDENT ON A  
15   FEW OF THE COMMISSIONS DEALING WITH INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS,  
16   ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PRIVATIZATION AND HELPING TO SELECT  
17   THE WHITE HOUSE FELLOWS WHO WORK IN THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.  
18   REAGAN WAS AN INTERESTING INDIVIDUAL. HE NEVER FORGOT HIS  
19   ROOTS. AND HE LOVED HIS MOTHER VERY, VERY MUCH. AND MANY  
20   PEOPLE DIDN'T REALIZE THAT HIS MOTHER, NELLE, WAS A VOLUNTEER  
21   AT OLIVE VIEW HOSPITAL IN THE T.B. WARD WHEN RONALD REAGAN  
22   CAME OUT HERE FROM IOWA. AND WE LATER DEDICATED IN 1993 THE  
23   NELLE REAGAN AWARD AT THE OLIVE VIEW HOSPITAL. AND WE  
24   RECOGNIZE A VOLUNTEER WITHIN THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY EACH YEAR  
25   AS A RECIPIENT OF THAT AWARD. AT HIS FUNERAL, AT THE REAGAN



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1 LIBRARY, I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO TALK WITH MARGARET THATCHER,  
2 AND SHE WAS ECHOING HOW SHE CALLED HIM "RONNIE", AND POPE JOHN  
3 PAUL AND HER WORKING TOGETHER WITH THOSE TWO FINE MEN WERE  
4 ABLE TO HELP BRING DOWN THE WALL OF COMMUNISM AND PUTTING THAT  
5 ON THE STOCKPILE THAT JOINED THE HAMMER AND SICKLE ON THE JUNK  
6 PILE OF HISTORY. SHE WAS VERY PLEASED THAT SHE HAD GREAT  
7 RESPECT FOR PRESIDENT REAGAN. IT WAS INTERESTING. REAGAN  
8 BELIEVED IN RELIGIOUS FREEDOM. HE USED A TERM THAT WAS SO  
9 OFTEN INCLUDED IN HIS SPEECHES. AND HE WOULD PARAPHRASE THE  
10 PHRASE THAT JOHN WINTHROP, CITY ON A HILL, WAS TAKEN FROM THE  
11 SERMON ABOARD THE PURITAN SHIP ARBELLA ON ITS PASSAGE TO  
12 AMERICA FROM ENGLAND. THAT BECAME THE HALLMARK OF PRESIDENT  
13 REAGAN'S POLITICAL VISION OF AMERICA'S PAST AND FUTURE. HE  
14 KNEW THAT THE FAITH OF THE BIBLE IN WHICH WESTERN CIVILIZATION  
15 IS BASED IS SILENCED WHEN IT IS -- WHEN IT IS SILENCED THEN  
16 ALL FAITHS AND THOSE OF NO FAITHS WOULD BE SUBJECT TO  
17 HARASSMENT OR WORSE. PRESIDENT SAID "WITHOUT GOD THERE IS NO  
18 VIRTUE BECAUSE THERE IS NO PROMPTING OF THE CONSCIENCE AND  
19 WITHOUT GOD THERE IS A \_\_\_\_\_ OF SOCIETY AND WITHOUT GOD  
20 DEMOCRACY IS NOT LONG ENDURE." AND THAT WAS THE MESSAGE THAT  
21 GIVEN AT THE WHITE HOUSE ECUMENICAL PRAYER BREAKFAST I SHOULD  
22 SAY IN DALLAS IN AUGUST AUGUST, 1984. HE IS ALSO, WHAT'S  
23 INTERESTING, THE ONLY PRESIDENT TO WRITE A BOOK ON THE VALUE  
24 OF HUMAN LIFE IN THE WOMB, AND THAT WAS IN ABORTION AND THE  
25 CONSCIENCE OF A NATION THAT HE WROTE AS PRESIDENT AND WAS A

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1 VERY BIG SELLER. AND IT'S VERY INTERESTING. HIS PROPHETIC  
2 WORDS WERE "IF WE EVER FORGET THAT WE'RE ONE NATION UNDER GOD,  
3 THEN WE WILL BE A NATION GONE UNDER." SO WE'RE VERY PLEASED  
4 THAT MICHAEL IS CARRYING ON THE TRADITION OF PRESIDENT RONALD  
5 REAGAN AND FORMER GOVERNOR REAGAN. HE'S QUITE INVOLVED. HE IS  
6 ACTIVE IN THE REAGAN LEGACY FOUNDATION, THE JOHN DOUGLAS  
7 FRENCH ALZHEIMER'S FOUNDATION AND HE ESTABLISHED THE MICHAEL  
8 REAGAN CENTER FOR ADVOCACY AND RESEARCH PARTNERSHIP WITH ERROL  
9 CHILD AND FAMILY MINISTRIES HELPING OUR CHILDREN WHO HAVE BEEN  
10 SEXUALLY ABUSED AND THOSE IN FOSTER CARE. SO, MICHAEL, ON  
11 BEHALF OF YOUR FATHER'S 103RD BIRTHDAY I WANT TO GIVE YOU THIS  
12 PROCLAMATION AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP IN CARRYING ON  
13 HIS LEGACY. [APPLAUSE.]

14

15 **MICHAEL REAGAN:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND ALL THE  
16 SUPERVISORS. IT IS INDEED AN HONOR FOR ME TO BE HERE AND  
17 ACCEPT THIS ON BEHALF OF THE REAGAN FAMILY. YOU MIGHT ALSO  
18 REMEMBER THIS WOULD HAVE BEEN MY DAD'S 64TH ANNIVERSARY OF HIS  
19 39TH BIRTHDAY IS HOW HE WOULD HAVE PUT IT. I APPRECIATE THE  
20 WORK YOU DO, SIR, AND I APPRECIATE ALL THE WORK THAT ALL THE  
21 SUPERVISORS DO. AND, AGAIN, THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR THIS.  
22 [APPLAUSE.]

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW WE'RE GOING TO RECOGNIZE ONCE AGAIN  
25 SAUGUS HIGH SCHOOL BECAUSE THE MEMBERS OF THE HIGH SCHOOL BOYS

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1 AND GIRLS' CROSS COUNTRY TEAM ARE THE WINNERS THIS YEAR, ONCE  
2 AGAIN. BOYS' C.I.F. STATE CROSS COUNTRY TITLE AND THE GIRLS'  
3 STATE DIVISION II TITLE. WE'RE JOINED BY THEIR PRINCIPAL BILL  
4 BOLDY AND THEIR COACHES RENEE PARGUS, JOSE FLORES, JOE  
5 SERRANO, BAXTER FRICK AND BRANDON DARIGOOD. BOTH OF THESE  
6 TEAMS WON BACK-TO-BACK CHAMPIONSHIP TITLES ON THE SAME DAY  
7 JUST A FEW HOURS APART. THE BOYS' STATE CROSS COUNTRY TITLE IS  
8 THEIR FIRST IN SCHOOL HISTORY. AND FOR THE GIRLS, THIS IS  
9 THEIR FOURTH APPEARANCE BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO BE  
10 RECOGNIZED BECAUSE THEY HAVE WON THAT TITLE FOUR YEARS IN A  
11 ROW. WE'RE VERY PLEASED AT THEIR QUALITY, THEIR  
12 COMPETITIVENESS AND THEIR COMMITMENT TO THEIR SCHOOL, TO THEIR  
13 ACADEMIC STUDIES, TO THEIR CROSS COUNTRY TEAM AND TO THEIR  
14 FAMILIES AND COMMUNITY AND THEIR FRIENDS. SO WE WANT TO GIVE  
15 THESE PROCLAMATIONS FIRST TO THE COACHES. THE TEAM MEMBERS  
16 HAVE THEIRS. FIRST RENEE? CONGRATULATIONS. GOOD TO SEE YOU  
17 AGAIN. SO RENEE AND THESE COACHES ARE THE PETE CAROLS OF THE  
18 SUPER BOWL. THEY'RE CHAMPIONS. JOSE FLORES? CONGRATULATIONS.  
19 GEORGE SERRANO? OKAY. BAXTER FRICK? BRANDON? AND MARCUS  
20 GARRET, MARCUS? AND THE PRINCIPAL. THE PRINCIPAL, MORE  
21 IMPORTANT. MUCHO HOMBRE. [APPLAUSE.]

22

23 **BILL BOLDY:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND MEMBERS OF THE L.A.  
24 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AGAIN IT'S A PRIVILEGE FOR US TO  
25 BE HERE TODAY. AND IT'S ALMOST BECOME LIKE ANOTHER BIRTHDAY,

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1 YOU KNOW, WE'RE BACK HERE ABOUT THIS TIME EVERY YEAR. AND, YOU  
2 KNOW, MOST PEOPLE DON'T REALIZE WHAT A BLESSING IT IS TO BE  
3 HERE ONE TIME, TO BE ABLE TO SAY "YOU WERE THE BEST IN ALL OF  
4 THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA" JUST ONCE IS QUITE A PRIVILEGE AND AN  
5 HONOR. BUT TO BE ABLE TO SAY THAT THESE YOUNG MEN AND YOUNG  
6 LADIES HAVE BEEN HERE EIGHT YEARS IN A ROW IS SOMETHING VERY  
7 SPECIAL. I'M NOT SURE IF THAT'S SOMETHING THAT TAKES PLACE IN  
8 OTHER STATES ANYWHERE IN THIS COUNTRY, BUT I KNOW THAT WE ARE  
9 LED BY A MAN WHO I THINK THE SMARTEST THING I EVER DID 10  
10 YEARS AGO WAS TO GIVE RENEE PARAGAS AN OPPORTUNITY TO COACH  
11 THIS OPPORTUNITY AND TEACH ON OUR CAMPUS. WHEN I USE THE WORD  
12 "TEACH", I USE THAT AS SOMETHING AS A SPRING BOARD FOR  
13 EXCELLENCE BECAUSE EVERY ONE OF THESE YOUNG PEOPLE HERE ARE  
14 BETTER OFF FOR BEING EXPOSED TO MR. PARAGAS AND HIS COACHING  
15 STAFF, NOT BECAUSE THEY'RE BETTER RUNNERS, BUT BECAUSE THEY'RE  
16 BETTER PEOPLE. A SIGN OF THAT IS JUST, YOU KNOW, WE LOOK AT  
17 ST. JOHN BOSCO, AND THERE WAS KIND OF THE JOKE ABOUT WHO CAN  
18 FIND WHO'S GOING TO BE GOING TO WHAT COLLEGES ON SIGNING DAY,  
19 NATIONAL SIGNING DAY TOMORROW. WE'VE GOT MEMBERS WHO WILL BE  
20 DOING THAT, AS WELL, ON OUR CAMPUS TOMORROW. AND I'M GOING TO  
21 BRING TWO OF THEM UP IN JUST A SECOND. BUT I WANT YOU TO KNOW  
22 THAT ONE OF THE MOST HUMBLE MEN I'VE EVER MET IS MR. PARAGAS.  
23 HE'S NOT UP FOR THE SPOTLIGHT. HE DOESN'T WANT THE MICROPHONE.  
24 BUT HE WOULD PREFER TO SPEAK TO CHILDREN TO MAKE LIFE BETTER  
25 FOR THEM. YOU KNOW, HE'S BEEN IN SPORTS ILLUSTRATED BEFORE.

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1 AND HE WAS MOST RECENTLY RECOGNIZED AS THE CALIFORNIA HIGH  
2 SCHOOL COACH OF THE YEAR. [APPLAUSE.] AND WE'RE VERY PROUD OF  
3 WHAT HE BRINGS TO OUR SCHOOL. AND MORE THAN THAT, WHAT HE DOES  
4 TO INVEST IN THE LIVES OF THESE KIDS. SO LET ME BRING UP TWO  
5 OF OUR CAPTAINS, ALEX PEARSON IS BEHIND ME SOMEWHERE. AND  
6 ABIGAIL FRANKY IS UP HERE SOMEWHERE. ALEX, WHERE IS YOUR DAD?  
7 HE'S GONE, ISN'T HE? DO YOU KNOW WHY HE'S GONE? BECAUSE HE  
8 FOLLOWED THE ST. JOHN BOSCO TEAM OUTSIDE BECAUSE HE IS ONE OF  
9 OUR FOOTBALL COACHES. WE'RE NOT DUMB. HE'S DOING DOUBLE DUTY  
10 TODAY. HE'S ACTUALLY OUT THERE. HE'S PROUD OF HIS SON. ALEX  
11 AND ABIGAIL HAVE A PRESENTATION FOR YOU. AND SUPERVISOR  
12 ANTONOVICH, THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR ALL YOU DO. FOR NOT JUST OUR  
13 SCHOOLS BUT ALL THE COUNTY. THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR YEARS OF  
14 SERVICE.

15

16 **SPEAKER:** ON BEHALF OF THE SAUGUS HIGH SCHOOL AND SAUGUS CROSS  
17 COUNTRY TEAM, WE WANTED TO SAY THANK YOU FOR ALL THE SUPPORT.  
18 IT'S REALLY AN HONOR TO BE HERE TODAY. WE ALSO HAD GIFTS, OR  
19 HAVE GIFTS FOR YOU AS A TOKEN OF OUR APPRECIATION AND  
20 EVERYTHING THAT YOU'VE DONE FOR US. SO THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** TAKE A GROUP PICTURE.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE HAVE LITTLE HUDSON, A POMERANIAN MIX. HE'S  
25 THREE YEARS OLD. AND HE'S PRIM AND PROPER LOOKING FOR A HOME.



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1 AND ANYBODY WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT LITTLE HUDSON. USED TO BE AN  
2 AUTOMOBILE NAMED HUDSON MANY YEARS AGO. BUT THIS ONE HAS  
3 LONGER LIFE THAN A HUDSON HAS. YOU CAN CALL 562-728-4610. AS  
4 WE SAY, THE DOGS ARE HAPPY BECAUSE WHEN THEY WAG THEIR TAIL  
5 MORE OFTEN, THEN PEOPLE WHO WAG THEIR TONGUES, RIGHT? SO,  
6 ANYWAY, LITTLE HUDSON IS LOOKING FOR A HOME IF YOU'D LIKE TO  
7 ADOPT HIM, CALL THE NUMBER 562-728-4610.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS, DO YOU HAVE ANY  
10 PRESENTATIONS? SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, ANY PRESENTATIONS?  
11 SUPERVISOR MOLINA? ALL RIGHT. WE WILL BEGIN WITH THE AGENDA,  
12 THEN, OKAY? I WILL ASK ERIC PREVEN, GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL AND  
13 ARNOLD SACHS TO JOIN US. MR. PREVEN, YOU'VE HELD 4, 11, 13,  
14 15, 30, 33 AND 43-B. DR. CLAVREUL, YOU'VE HELD 10, 13, 17 AND  
15 18. ARNOLD SACHS, YOU'VE HELD 19, 23, 38 AND 43-B.

16

17 **ERIC PREVEN:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, IT IS ERIC  
18 PREVEN, THE COUNTY RESIDENT FROM DISTRICT 3. BUSY SCHEDULE  
19 TODAY. ITEM NUMBER 4, I WOULD LIKE TO SAY THANK YOU TO THE  
20 BOARD FOR EXPLORING THE POSSIBILITY OF A HOMEBOY INDUSTRIES  
21 PARTNERSHIP. I THINK THIS IS A GOOD IDEA AND IT FOLLOWS AN  
22 IMPORTANT OP-ED BY STEVE LOPEZ IN THE L.A. TIMES. I THINK IT'S  
23 VERY SMART AND PRUDENT OF YOU TO GO FORWARD WITH SOMETHING  
24 LIKE A ROLLOUT OF MORE HOMEBOY. THEY DO A GREAT JOB AND IT'S  
25 EXACTLY WHAT IS NEEDED IN THAT CATEGORY. THANK YOU TO THE

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1 BOARD FOR THAT. ITEM 11, NO THANK YOU TO THE BOARD FOR THE  
2 CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND DISCLOSURE CODES, ESPECIALLY FOR THE  
3 PARKS AND REC GROUP. AND I WOULD ASK THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE TO  
4 TABLE THIS BECAUSE WHEN YOU LOOK AT THE CATEGORIES OF JOBS,  
5 THE CATEGORY OF GOLF DIRECTOR, BELIEVE IT OR NOT HAS THE LEAST  
6 DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS AVAILABLE FOR ANY EMPLOYEE WHICH IS  
7 UTTERLY AND COMPLETELY LUDICROUS IN LIGHT OF THE FACT THAT WE  
8 RECENTLY FACILITATED THE TRANSFER OF AMERICAN GOLF FROM  
9 GOLDMAN SACHS, STARWOOD CAPITAL, TO FORTRESS INVESTMENT GROUP  
10 WITH SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S VOTE. ON ITEM NUMBER 13, LAST WEEK WE  
11 SAW SOME SUPERVISORIAL SPARKS WHICH WE ALWAYS LIKE TO SEE  
12 BECAUSE IT MEANS WE'RE DISCUSSING THE ISSUES IN OUR  
13 COMMUNITIES AND MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS WAS CONCERNED AND I SEE HE  
14 GOT 100,000 TO ROLLOUT A C.D.C.-SPONSORED LOOK AT THE VERMONT  
15 CORRIDOR AND ZEV YAROSLAVSKY GOT OVER MY CONCERN AND OBJECTION  
16 A 10 MILLION DOLLAR PILE OF MONEY TO GO TOWARD THE JOHN ANSON  
17 FORD RENOVATION FIX UP JOB. IT'S DESCRIBED VARIOUSLY IN LOTS  
18 OF PLACES. IN FACT THE MASTER PLAN FOR THAT WORK WHICH IS  
19 GOING TO BE A 75 MILLION DOLLAR MASTER PLAN HAS NOT BEEN  
20 POSTED PUBLICLY AND THAT JUST FALLS WAY BENEATH WHAT THE  
21 PUBLIC EXPECTS FOR THIS KIND OF ROLLOUT. NOBODY IS SAYING WE  
22 SHOULDN'T FIX UP THE JOB, THE JOHN ANSON FORD, BUT I THINK  
23 PEOPLE ARE SAYING WHAT ARE WE PLANNING TO DO? AND IF IT  
24 INVOLVES A RESTAURANT AND NEW OFFICE SPACE AND PARKING, WE  
25 WANT TO KNOW BECAUSE I THINK IT'S VERY, VERY RELEVANT TO THE

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1 PEOPLE IN THE THIRD DISTRICTS GIVEN ALL OF OUR ARTS KNEES. AND  
2 I ASKED LAURA ZUCKER AND MR. DAVIS, ADAM DAVIS, BOTH ESTEEMED  
3 ARTS PEOPLE TO POST THIS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING TODAY AND  
4 REGRETTABLY THEY WERE NOT ABLE TO DO SO AND I'M VERY UPSET  
5 ABOUT THAT. ITEM NUMBER 15, THE ELEMENT HOUSING ELEMENT. LET'S  
6 REMEMBER THAT WE HAVE 57,735 HOMELESS PEOPLE. THAT'S THE  
7 NUMBER FROM THE NEW YORK TIMES IN L.A. COUNTY SINCE 2012. IT  
8 HAS GONE UP 23.5 PERCENT. "OUCH" COMES TO MIND. OUCH. AND FOR  
9 ITEM NUMBER 30, I WANT TO MAKE IT CLEAR THAT THIS HAS TO DO --  
10 WAIT A MINUTE. 30 OR IS IT 33? THERE'S ONE ITEM THAT HAS TO DO  
11 WITH THE INMATE TELEPHONE SYSTEM. "NEW YORK TIMES'" DAVID  
12 SEGAL WHO IS "THE HAGGLER" SOME PEOPLE KNOW HIM, WROTE ABOUT  
13 THIS GROUP GLOBAL TEL LINK, P.C.S. WHICH IS THE VERSION THAT  
14 WE HAVE; IT'S A MONOPOLY. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY HELD THIS  
15 ITEM. I WOULD ASK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO LOOK VERY  
16 CLOSELY AT IMPROVING-

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, YOUR TIME IS UP. DR.  
19 CLAVREUL?

20

21 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,  
22 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. OF COURSE TODAY THERE IS A HUGE AMOUNT  
23 OF ITEMS DEALING WITH THE D.H.S. AND SO ON. AND ALSO WITH  
24 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY. AND, YOU KNOW, I'M BACK HERE ALMOST  
25 EVERY WEEK QUESTIONING THE WISDOM OF THE COUNTY WHEN IT COMES

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1 TO INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY. I MEAN, IT IS OBVIOUS THAT WE ARE  
2 BUYING RIGHT AND LEFT PROGRAMS WITH ABSOLUTELY NO RHYME AND  
3 REASON. AND THIS IS AT A TIME OF THE TUNE OF 7 MILLION, 5  
4 MILLION THERE, 10. I MEAN, IT'S REALLY, REALLY ABSURD. AND I  
5 AM CONCERNED BECAUSE, YOU KNOW, THE COUNTRY IS NOT -- THE  
6 COUNTY IS NOT WORKING WELL. I MEAN, YOU KNOW, YOU LOOK AT  
7 NOBODY TALK TO EACH OTHER. AND I THINK WE NEED TO REALLY LOOK  
8 AT THAT. AND I'M NOT GOING TO STOP ASKING THAT QUESTION OVER  
9 AND OVER AGAIN. WHO IS GETTING KICKBACK FROM THOSE INFORMATION  
10 THAT'S A CONTRACTS? BECAUSE THEY DON'T TALK TO EACH OTHER. AND  
11 ESPECIALLY WHEN YOU HAVE BEEN TOLD SOME ARE TOTALLY NON-  
12 EFFECTIVE. ON ITEM 21, YOU KNOW, H.I.V. AND AIDS IS OVER 25  
13 YEARS. EVERY YEAR I HAVE BEEN AT THIS MIC TALKING ABOUT NOT  
14 REAPPROVING ENBLOCK CONTRACTS HAVING TO DO WITH H.I.V. AND  
15 AIDS. AND THIS YEAR IS EVEN WORSE THAN USUAL BECAUSE THIS YEAR  
16 WE DON'T EVEN HAVE A BREAKDOWN OF THE PERFORMANCE OF ANY OF  
17 THOSE CONTRACTS. AND I THINK, YOU KNOW, WE HAVE THE RIGHT TO  
18 LOOK HOW WELL SOME ORGANIZATIONS HAVE BEEN DOING AND HOW SOME  
19 HAVE NOT DONE, ESPECIALLY WHEN YOU HAVE A COMMISSION ON H.I.V.  
20 WHO IS A ROGUE COMMISSION. EVERY MEMBER OF THAT COMMISSION IS  
21 EITHER H.I.V.-POSITIVE OR AIDS OR GIVING TREATMENT TO PEOPLE  
22 WITH H.I.V. AND AIDS, WHICH IS A BIG NO-NO. SO I AM EXTREMELY  
23 CONCERNED ABOUT THAT. I KNOW THIS ITEM HAS BEEN PUSHED TO NEXT  
24 WEEK. I HOPE THAT BETWEEN NOW AND NEXT WEEK WE COULD GET A  
25 BREAKDOWN ON THOSE DIFFERENT CONTRACTS. AND WE DO NOT BLANKET

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1 APPROVE ALL THOSE CONTRACTS. THAT'S HAS DONE EVERY YEAR FOR  
2 THE LAST 25 YEARS. SO I KNOW YOU'RE SLOW AT THE DRAW, BUT  
3 MAYBE THIS TIME YOU COULD MAKE AN EXCEPTION AND GET THE  
4 BREAKDOWN OF WHO IS GETTING MONEY, WHAT KIND OF JOBS THEY HAVE  
5 DONE, AND STOP WITH THAT. ANYWAY, THAT'S ALL I WOULD SPEAK ON  
6 FOR TODAY. AND BY THE WAY LAST WEEK I HAD A VERY NICE NAP. I  
7 WENT RIGHT AWAY TO BED.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, DR. CLAVREUL. NEXT?

10

11 **ARNOLD SACHS:** ARNOLD SACHS. I DID HOLD A FEW ITEMS. COUPLE OF  
12 THEM I JUST HELD HELD. ACTUALLY I WAS GOING TO HOLD MORE, BUT  
13 ITEMS 19, 20, 21, 22 AND 23, THEY DEAL WITH SOME PROJECTS. AND  
14 I WAS JUST WONDERING, I DIDN'T SEE ANYTHING IN ANY OF THOSE  
15 ITEMS ON YOUR AGENDA REGARDING GETTING A 10 PERCENT  
16 ADMINISTRATIVE FEE WHEN YOU HAVE YOUR COUNTY COMMISSION  
17 HEARINGS THAT YOU ARE CHIEFS OF YOU USUALLY GET A 10 PERCENT  
18 ADMINISTRATIVE FEE FOR HOUSING FUNDS. SO I WAS WONDERING WHY  
19 YOU DON'T HAVE A 10 PERCENT ADMINISTRATIVE FEE FOR THOSE  
20 ITEMS. NO BIG DEAL. BUT I HELD ITEM 38 DEALING WITH BOND  
21 SALES. IT'S 27 MILLION DOLLARS IN PRINCIPAL. BUT WHAT HAPPENS  
22 HERE IS THE DEBT SERVICE PAYMENT WILL BE ANNOUNCED AFTER THE  
23 BONDS ARE SOLD. AND I THINK THAT'S REALLY UNFORTUNATE. PEOPLE  
24 SHOULD HAVE AN IDEA WHAT THEY WILL BE PAYING FOR WHO KNOWS THE  
25 REST OF ETERNITY ON SOME ALL THESE DEBTS. METRO HAS A THREE



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1 BILLION DOLLAR DEBT. WE DON'T KNOW WHAT THE SERVICE PAYMENT  
2 IS. THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES WANTED TO DO A BOND SALE BASED ON  
3 THEIR MEASURE R LOCAL RETURN. THEY WANTED TO BORROW 270  
4 MILLION DOLLARS AND THEY'RE GOING TO PAY 140 MILLION DOLLARS  
5 IN INTEREST ON THAT. THEY ARE GOING TO BE PAYING FOR LIKE 14  
6 MILLION DOLLARS FOR 30 YEARS IN DEBT SERVICE PAYMENT. AND SO  
7 WHEN YOU GET THOSE NUMBERS THROWN AROUND, I THINK IT BEHOOVES  
8 THE PUBLIC TO FIND OUT JUST EXACTLY WHAT THEY'RE GOING TO BE  
9 PAYING BEFORE THEY GET TO VOTE ON SOME OF THESE THINGS. LO AND  
10 BEHOLD ON THE GREEN SHEET, THERE'S AN ITEM THAT CAUGHT MY  
11 ATTENTION. A CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGIST IN THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S  
12 OFFICE. (LAUGHING) THAT'S ALMOST TOO FUNNY. IT IS FUNNY. WHAT  
13 WILL THEY BE DISCUSSING? WHO'S NUTS IN THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE  
14 OFFICE OR WHO'S NUTS AS FAR AS ELECTED OFFICIALS GO? I  
15 LISTENED TO YOUR PRESENTATION TODAY, SIR, REGARDING THE  
16 FOOTBALL TEAM AND ALL THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS YOU DIDN'T MENTION  
17 ANYTHING, I DON'T KNOW IF YOU READ ANYTHING OR YOU MIGHT  
18 REMEMBER WHEN SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY BROUGHT UP THE  
19 WAISTBANDS, YOU KNOW THE MEDICAL WAISTBAND WHATEVER THE HELL  
20 THAT WAS. BUT THERE'S BEEN PROFESSIONAL ATHLETES WHO HAVE BEEN  
21 SUFFERING FROM CONCUSSIONS. THESE KIDS ARE NOW PLAYING 16  
22 FOOTBALL GAMES A YEAR. WHEN I WAS A TEENAGER, IT WAS 9. THAT'S  
23 ALMOST DOUBLE THE NAME OF FOOTBALL GAMES. AND NOT A WORD ABOUT  
24 CONCUSSIONS. TALK ABOUT BEING A LITTLE NUTTY. TALK ABOUT  
25 EMBRACING THE MOMENT. BECAUSE WHO KNOWS? IN A COUPLE YEARS

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1 WHEN THEY HAVE ANOTHER CONCUSSION AND THEY'RE KNOCKED LOOPY,  
2 THEY COULD RUN FOR POLITICAL OFFICE AND BE A SUPERVISOR.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MR. SACHS, THANK YOU. I JUST WANT TO  
5 GIVE YOU, I DIDN'T WARN YOU IN THE PAST, BUT IN THE FUTURE, IF  
6 YOU WANT TO TESTIFY IN FRONT OF THIS BOARD, THAT SHIRT WILL  
7 NOT BE ALLOWED. BECAUSE WE'RE NOT LOOPY AND YOU SHOWING THE  
8 FLAG IN DISTRESS OVER THOSE TWO WORDS IS OBJECTIONABLE AND YOU  
9 WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO TESTIFY NEXT WEEK IF YOU CONTINUE TO  
10 WEAR THAT SHIRT HERE. THANK YOU. THAT'S DONE WITHOUT A  
11 CONCUSSION. ALL RIGHT. NEXT, THOSE ITEMS ARE BEFORE US, MADAM  
12 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WOULD YOU READ THOSE ITEMS, PLEASE?

13

14 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** SURE. THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE  
15 BEFORE THIS BOARD. ITEM NUMBER 4, 11, 15, 17, 18, 23, 30, 33,  
16 38 AND 43-B.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IF YOU WOULDN'T OBJECT THAT IN ADDITION TO  
19 YOUR MOTION, THAT WE ASK WHEN THE C.E.O. COMES BACK, IF WE  
20 COULD GET THE C.E.O. AND THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER TO GIVE US A  
21 REPORT ON HOW THE MONEY WE PREVIOUSLY HAVE SPENT WITH THIS  
22 ORGANIZATION, HAS BEEN SPENT?

23

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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** TOTALLY CONCUR. THANK YOU. WITH THAT  
2    CHANGE, THOSE ITEMS ARE BEFORE US. I BELIEVE ON ITEM 13, YOU  
3    HAVE AN AMENDMENT.

4

5    **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THOSE ARE BEING HELD.

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7    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON THE REMAINDER THAT WAS CALLED OUT  
8    THAT ARE NOT BE HELD, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY WITH HIS  
9    CHANGE AND CHAIR WILL SECOND IT WITHOUT OBJECTION SO BE THE  
10   ORDER.

11

12   **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU.

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14   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I GUESS I'M UP FIRST ON SPECIALS. I'LL  
15   CALL UP ITEM NUMBER 13, PLEASE.

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17   **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ITEM NUMBER 13 WILL BE CALLED UP  
18   WITH ITEM NUMBER 3.

19

20   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ITEM 13 FIRST.

21

22   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIR WITH YOUR PERMISSION, LET ME  
23   READ IN A MOTION AS I'M PREPARED TO SUPPORT ITEM NUMBER 13.  
24   AND IT IS ESSENTIALLY TO DIRECT THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO  
25   NOT TAKE ANY ACTION ON THE 400,000 DOLLAR SET-ASIDE IN THE

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1 PROJECT IN FACILITY DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNT TO BE MOVED BY THE  
2 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. AND SECONDLY APPROVE ITEM 13 AS AMENDED,  
3 THAT WOULD BE MY MOTION.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** BEEN MOVED AND SECONDED. WITHOUT  
6 OBJECTION? SO BE THE ORDER. THAT WOULD MAKE ITEM NUMBER 3  
7 MOOT. WE'LL REFER THAT BACK TO MY OFFICE.

8

9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN.

10

11 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** SO ITEM NUMBER 13 IS BEFORE YOU.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S JUST BEEN MOVED AND SECONDED WITH  
14 AMENDMENT. AND THERE WAS NO OBJECTION.

15

16 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WE APPROVED ITEM NUMBER 13 AND I  
19 SENT 3 BACK TO MY OFFICE. RIGHT. ON WHICH ITEM?

20

21 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THIRTEEN AND THREE.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** GRACE YOO? MOVED BY SUPERVISOR  
24 YAROSLAVSKY FOR RECONSIDERATION. CHAIR WILL SECOND. GO AHEAD.

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1   **GRACE YOO:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, RIDLEY-THOMAS AND  
2   ANTONOVICH, AND I HOPE TO SEE SUPERVISOR MOLINA BACK IN HERE  
3   SOON. I JUST WANTED TO COME IN AND SAY THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR  
4   REALLY BEING CONCERNED ABOUT THE BLIGHT AND THE DANGEROUS  
5   SITUATION AT THE VERMONT CORRIDOR, WHICH IS THE NORTHEAST  
6   CORNER OF VERMONT AND 6TH. THAT BUILDING HAS BEEN LOOKED AT BY  
7   THIS GROUP OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE LAST 20 YEARS STARTING WITH  
8   WHEN SUPERVISOR BURKE -- AND PERHAPS EVEN BEFORE THAT, BUT  
9   THAT'S THE HISTORY I GO BACK TO. THERE HAVE BEEN CONCERNS  
10   BECAUSE OF THAT BUILDING'S FACILITIES. I PERSONALLY HAVE  
11   ALMOST TRIPPED TWICE GOING IN AND OUT OF THERE BECAUSE OF  
12   THAT. I'M NOT SURPRISED ABOUT ALL THE LAWSUITS THAT HAVE  
13   OCCURRED DUE TO THAT PROPERTY. AND AS YOU KNOW, KOREATOWN HAS  
14   BEEN IN DEVELOPMENT. AND THE SURROUNDING AREAS HAVE CHANGED  
15   BUT THE COUNTY BUILDING HAS NOT. I'M REALLY DELIGHTED THAT  
16   SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS HAS BEEN ABLE TO PUT THIS ON THE  
17   AGENDA TO SEE WHAT CAN BE DONE TO BRING THE BUILDING UP TO  
18   CODE, TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO BE MOST EFFICIENT FOR THE COUNTY.  
19   AND WHILE YOU'RE LOOKING AT THIS, I'M ALSO ASKING THAT YOU BE  
20   CONCERNED ABOUT THE BENEFITS TO THE COMMUNITY, WHICH WHEN IT  
21   COMES TO KOREATOWN IS OFTEN IGNORED. AND IF YOU LOOK AT THE  
22   LOCAL PAPERS RECENTLY, YOU'LL SEE ONCE AGAIN HOW KOREATOWN HAS  
23   BEEN DEVELOPED WITHOUT REALLY PROVIDING ANY BENEFITS TO THE  
24   RESIDENTS IN THE AREA. SO I ASK THAT AS THE COUNTY WORKS TO  
25   LOOK AT WHAT IS BEST FOR THE COUNTY AND FOR THE RESIDENTS THAT

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1 YOU WILL LOOK AT NOT ONLY JUST THE COUNTY WORKERS BUT ALSO THE  
2 RESIDENT IN THE AREA. AND WHATEVER HAPPENS, I WOULD ASK THAT  
3 YOU CONTINUE TO BE TRANSPARENT IN THE PROCESS SO THAT WE DON'T  
4 HAVE ISSUES UNLIKE WHAT HAS HAPPENED IN THE AREA DUE TO THE  
5 CITY'S ACTIONS OR LACK OF OVERSIGHT. SO I APPRECIATE ONCE  
6 AGAIN THE SUPERVISORS HERE TAKING A LOOK AT WHAT WILL BE BEST  
7 FOR THAT BUILDING, THE VERMONT CORRIDOR. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. SO AGAIN MOVED BY SUPERVISOR  
10 RIDLEY-THOMAS AS AMENDED. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.  
11 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. AND AGAIN ITEM 3 WILL BE  
12 REFERRED BACK TO MY OFFICE.

13

14 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** CALL UP ITEM NUMBER 10. SUPERVISOR  
17 RIDLEY-THOMAS HELD THAT ITEM.

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19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:**MR. CHAIRMAN, I UNDERSTAND THAT THERE ARE  
20 SPEAKERS TO BE HEARD, AND PERHAPS WE CAN TAKE THOSE SPEAKERS  
21 FIRST.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU GOT IT. PLEASE HAVE JOSEPH MAIZLISH  
24 JOIN US. CHERYL GRILLU AND AILEEN ADAMS IF YOU'LL COME  
25 FORWARD, PLEASE.



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2   **JOSEPH MAIZLISH:** GOOD MORNING, THANK YOU, CHAIRMAN KNABE. HI,  
3   MY NAME IS JOE MAIZLISH, I'M A MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPIST  
4   AND BEGAN MY STUDIES AND TRAINING IN THE FIELD OF CHILD ABUSE  
5   AND RECOVERY. I VOLUNTEERED SEVEN YEARS ONE EVENING A WEEK FOR  
6   D.C.F.S. IN ITS CENTRAL LOS ANGELES SEXUAL ABUSE UNIT SERVING  
7   WITH INCEST PERPETRATORS LEADING GROUPS AND I'M VERY GLAD TO  
8   SEE THE SUBJECT OF EARLY CHILDHOOD EXAMINATION I HOPE  
9   APPROPRIATE INTERVENTION ON YOUR LIST. I HAVE SOME PAPERS TO  
10   GIVE EACH OF YOUR OFFICES AND THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE ABOUT  
11   THE ADVERSE CHILD EXPERIENCES STUDY AND ITS LIFELONG  
12   CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ONLY DISCRETE EVENTS OF ABUSE BUT CHRONIC  
13   HIGH STRESS ON EARLY FAMILIES. IN FACT, I WOULD LIKE TO SEE  
14   EVERY SUPERVISORIAL DECISION HAVE NOT ONLY THE ENVIRONMENTAL  
15   IMPACT BUT ALSO THE EARLY CHILDHOOD IMPACTS. HOW DOES THIS  
16   AFFECT EARLY CHILDHOOD LIFE AND THE FAMILY LIFE? BECAUSE AS  
17   THAT STUDY SHOWED, AND CONTINUES TO SHOW IN ITS FOLLOW-UPS,  
18   THERE ARE LIFE LONG HEALTH, PHYSICAL HEALTH CONSEQUENCES OF  
19   PEOPLE WHO WERE SUBJECT TO HIGH STRESS, CHRONIC STRESS IN VERY  
20   YOUNG CHILDHOOD. IT INTERFACES ALSO WITH THE OTHER SUBJECT I  
21   OFTEN VISIT ON AND THAT'S THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SUBJECT BECAUSE  
22   ALL KIND OF IRREGULAR BEHAVIORS AND ACTUALLY AN EFFECT ON  
23   BRAIN DEVELOPMENT OF THE YOUNG CHILD IN A SITUATION OF HIGH  
24   STRESS IS QUITE SERIOUS. IT'S NOT IRREVERSIBLE, BUT IT TAKES  
25   AN AWFUL LOT OF CARE LATER IN LIFE. SO THAT IN SOME SOCIETIES,

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1 UP TO HALF OF THE PUBLIC WELFARE, PUBLIC HEALTH BUDGET IS  
2 DEVOTED TO EARLY CHILDHOOD, I'VE GIVEN YOU A SHORT TWO-PAGE  
3 SUMMARY ARTICLE AND A 10-PAGE FURTHER STUDY, FURTHER REVIEW OF  
4 THIS ADVERSE CHILDHOOD EXPERIENCES STUDY AND HOW IT CAME  
5 ABOUT. THE IMPLICATIONS FOR ALMOST EVERY SOCIAL AND FAMILY  
6 ISSUE HERE ARE GREAT. I KNOW SUPERVISOR KNABE, YOU'RE  
7 INTERESTED, I REMEMBER 10 YEARS AGO YOU VISITED WHAT WAS IT  
8 CHILDREN'S INSTITUTE INTERNATIONAL DAYLONG EVENT AND GAVE AN  
9 ADDRESS AT LUNCH. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS PRESENTED THIS.  
10 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY'S PREDECESSOR, SUPERVISOR EDELMAN  
11 VISITED THE TRAINING INSTITUTE WHERE I WAS WORKING AT THE TIME  
12 AND RECOGNIZED THE IMPORTANCE OF THIS. BUT LET'S NOT LOSE  
13 TRACK. IT'S IMPORTANT BECAUSE OF ITS LIFELONG IMPLICATIONS AND  
14 IMPLICATIONS FOR BUDGET AND PUBLIC SERVICES AND EVERYTHING,  
15 BUT IT'S ALSO IMPORTANT JUST BECAUSE I HOPE YOU CAN SEE OF OUR  
16 WORK HERE, ME AS A CITIZEN AND YOU AS LEADERSHIP, TO RELIEVE  
17 THE SUFFERING OF THE YOUNG CHILDREN. THAT IS THE BASIC POINT.  
18 AND IF WE WORK ON THAT AS OUR GUIDE, WE'LL BE CARRIED THROUGH  
19 AND IMPROVED PUBLIC POLICIES, AS WELL. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.  
20 I'M GLAD THIS IS ON YOUR AGENDA.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

23

24 **AILEEN ADAMS:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.

25 MY NAME IS AILEEN ADAMS, I'M HERE WITH DR. CHERYL GRILLS. WE

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1 ARE THE CO-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS OF THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION  
2 ON CHILD PROTECTION. AND FIRST WE WANT TO THANK EACH ONE OF  
3 YOU NOT ONLY FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY FOR THE  
4 EXTRAORDINARY APPOINTEES TO THIS BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION. I  
5 WORKED AT ALL LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT FOR OVER 35 YEARS. AND I  
6 HAVE NEVER SEEN A COMMISSION THAT IS MORE THOUGHTFUL, MORE  
7 EXPERIENCED OR MORE RESOLVED TO HELP MAKE A MEANINGFUL  
8 DIFFERENCE. WE TRULY FEEL FORTUNATE TO BE WORKING WITH EACH  
9 ONE OF THEM. AS YOU KNOW, THIS IS A COMMISSION THAT'S VERY  
10 HANDS-ON. THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE BLUE RIBBON  
11 COMMISSION MEMBERS DR. DAVID SANDERS, WHO'S THE CHAIR, AND THE  
12 VICE CHAIRS, LESLIE GILBERT-LURIE, AND JUDGE DICKRAN TEVRIZIAN  
13 HAVE ASKED US AS STAFF TO READ THE FOLLOWING BRIEF STATEMENT  
14 INTO THE RECORD ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

15

16 **CHERYL GRILLS:** THE PURPOSE OF THIS BRIEF STATEMENT IS TO  
17 PROVIDE CONTEXT FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BLUE RIBBON  
18 COMMISSION ON CHILD PROTECTION'S INTERIM RECOMMENDATIONS AS  
19 THE BOARD DELIBERATES TODAY. THE COMMISSION IS FULLY COMMITTED  
20 TO PRODUCING A FINAL REPORT THAT RECOMMENDS FUNDAMENTAL  
21 CHANGES WHICH WILL ENHANCE THE COUNTY'S ABILITY TO ENSURE  
22 SAFETY FOR THE CHILDREN OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE BELIEVE THE  
23 COUNTY CHALLENGES REGARDING CHILD SAFETY AND FREEDOM FROM  
24 ABUSE AND NEGLECT ARE LARGE AND SYSTEMIC, AND OUR FINAL REPORT  
25 WILL REFLECT THAT BELIEF. WE FULLY RECOGNIZE THE INTERIM

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1 REPORT CONTAINS RECOMMENDATIONS THAT REQUEST ACTION ON THE  
2 PART OF THE BOARD WITHOUT THE BENEFIT OF THE COMMISSION'S FULL  
3 ANALYSIS AND FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS. WE WEIGHED THE POTENTIAL  
4 DRAWBACK OF ENDORSING A LIMITED SET OF RECOMMENDATIONS AGAINST  
5 THE FACT THAT OUR WORK TO THIS POINT ALREADY REVEALED AREAS  
6 THAT IF ADDRESSED COULD IMMEDIATELY IMPROVE CHILD SAFETY AND  
7 PERHAPS SAVE CHILDREN'S LIVES. WE WANT TO BE CLEAR THAT THE  
8 RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE INTERIM REPORT WILL NOT ALONE BE  
9 SUFFICIENT TO INSURE THE TYPE OF SUSTAINED IMPROVEMENTS IN  
10 CHILD SAFETY WE ALL WANT TO SEE; HOWEVER, WE ULTIMATELY  
11 CONCLUDED THAT IT WOULD BE UNCONSCIONABLE TO UNEARTH ISSUES  
12 THE COUNTY COULD ADDRESS IMMEDIATELY THAT WOULD RESULT IN  
13 IMPROVED CHILD SAFETY AND NOT BRING THE ISSUES TO THE  
14 ATTENTION OF THE BOARD. THAT WAS AUGMENTED BY OUR FINDINGS  
15 THAT THESE CHANGES ARE FEASIBLE BASED ON THE TESTIMONY AND  
16 ACTIONS OF DEPARTMENTS AND THAT BY IDENTIFYING A LEAD  
17 DEPARTMENT FOR EACH RECOMMENDATION, IT MAY BE POSSIBLE TO  
18 IMPLEMENT CHANGES THAT CAN IMMEDIATELY IMPROVE CHILD SAFETY.  
19 FINALLY, WHILE OUR RECOMMENDATIONS ARE FOCUSED ON CHILD  
20 SAFETY, WE ARE FULLY COGNIZANT OF THE FISCAL CONSTRAINTS FACED  
21 BY THE COUNTY AND WHEREVER POSSIBLE HAVE AND WILL PROVIDE  
22 RECOMMENDATIONS THAT HAVE LIMITED OR NO ADDITIONAL COSTS. IN  
23 FACT, IN SOME CASES, WE HAVE EXPLORED FUNDING STRATEGIES  
24 UTILIZED BY OTHER STATES OR COUNTIES THAT CAN BE MODELS FOR  
25 LOS ANGELES. NEVERTHELESS, WE VIEW OUR PRIMARY TASK AS

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1 PROVIDING A SET OF RECOMMENDATIONS THAT FIRST AND FOREMOST  
2 IMPROVE CHILD SAFETY. THEREFORE, WE URGE THE BOARD OF  
3 SUPERVISORS TO SUPPORT EFFORTS TO IMPLEMENT THE LAW  
4 ENFORCEMENT AND HEALTH CARE RECOMMENDATIONS INCLUDED IN OUR  
5 INTERIM REPORT. WE WILL CONTINUE TO WORK ON A FINAL REPORT  
6 THAT INCLUDES -- THAT PROVIDES A SET OF SYSTEMIC,  
7 COMPREHENSIVE RECOMMENDATIONS THAT WILL ENSURE SUSTAINED,  
8 LONG-TERM ACCOUNTABILITY AND PERFORMANCE. WE LOOK FORWARD TO  
9 CONTINUING OUR CRITICALLY IMPORTANT WORK. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ANY QUESTIONS?

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** IF I MAY, MR. CHAIR, THERE ARE SEVERAL  
14 PIECES OF INFORMATION THAT I DO BELIEVE TO BE RELEVANT. IT WAS  
15 APPROXIMATELY A MONTH AGO THAT THE INTERIM REPORT WAS ISSUED.  
16 RECOMMENDATIONS ARE BEFORE US. AND PERMIT ME TO RESTATE OR  
17 QUOTE THE INTERIM REPORT AS FOLLOWS: "THE COMMISSION URGES THE  
18 BOARD TO ADOPT THE CONCRETE STEPS PROPOSED IN THE INTERIM  
19 REPORT TO BEGIN IMMEDIATELY FORM OF THE DYSFUNCTIONAL COUNTY  
20 CHILD PROTECTION SYSTEM." END QUOTE. THE COMMISSION DID NOT  
21 ASK US TO WAIT UNTIL APRIL WHEN THE FINAL REPORT IS ISSUED.  
22 THEY HAVE URGED US TO DO SOMETHING NOW. NOT TO RUSH BUT TO ACT  
23 WITH URGENCY. THERE'S A DISTINCTION THAT SHOULD BE MADE AND/OR  
24 APPRECIATED. AND I BELIEVE THE SENSE OF URGENCY HERE TO  
25 IMPLEMENT THESE RECOMMENDATIONS IS IMPORTANT FOR US TO EMBRACE

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1 AND TO MOVE FORWARD BECAUSE I KNOW EACH OF US FEELS VERY  
2 STRONGLY, EACH OF US FEEL VERY STRONGLY THAT WE SHOULD MAKE  
3 EVERY EFFORT TO MOVE CHILDREN OUT OF HARM'S WAY. IT IS NOT A  
4 SMALL THING FOR US TO UNDERSTAND THE RECOMMENDATIONS CARRY NO  
5 COST. THAT'S EXPLICIT WITH THIS MOTION. IT IS ESSENTIALLY AN  
6 EXPLICIT CALL FOR IMPLEMENTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS WITHIN  
7 EXISTING RESOURCES. MAY I REPEAT THAT FOR THOSE THAT HAVE  
8 CONCERNS ABOUT THE FACT THAT THIS IS IN SOME WAY SCOPE CREEP  
9 WITH RESPECT TO FINANCING THINGS THAT PERHAPS WE SHOULDN'T OR  
10 THAT WE ARE NOT SUFFICIENTLY ANTICIPATING THE COSTS THAT ARE  
11 ASSOCIATED, THE MOTION AND THE RECOMMENDATIONS ARE EXPLICIT  
12 WITH RESPECT TO COST NEUTRAL OR WITHIN EXISTING RESOURCES. AND  
13 MAYBE FOR D.P.H. AND D.C.F.S. THEIR EXISTING RESOURCES WOULD  
14 ONLY ALLOW FOR A PILOT PROGRAM WITHIN SPECIFIC GEOGRAPHICAL  
15 AREAS WHERE THEY SEND OUT A NURSE ON EVERY EMERGENCY RESPONSE  
16 CALL FOR A CHILD UNDER AGE, ONE, BUT UNTIL THEY COME TOGETHER  
17 AND ARE ASKED TO COME UP WITH A PROGRAM, COLLEAGUES, THERE  
18 WILL BE NONE. AND THE CONCERN AS ARTICULATED BY THE COMMISSION  
19 IS CHILDREN ARE IN HARM'S WAY. THERE IS NO FINANCIAL  
20 COMMITMENT BEING MADE BY THE BOARD TODAY BY VIRTUE OF THIS  
21 MOTION AND THERE SHOULDN'T BE. HOWEVER, THERE'S A COMMITMENT  
22 THAT I KNOW THAT EACH OF US HAS ARTICULATED TO PRIORITIZING  
23 CHILD SAFETY. THE GOAL HERE IS TO TAKE THE STEPS THAT WE  
24 SHOULD TAKE AND GET STARTED. AND I WANT TO REITERATE. COUNTY  
25 DEPARTMENTS ARE BEING ASKED TO COLLABORATE AND DEVELOP A PLAN

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1 OF IMPLEMENTATION WITHIN THEIR EXISTING RESOURCES. SO THE  
2 QUESTION IS: WHAT CAN WE DO WITH WHAT WE HAVE? INSTEAD OF A  
3 STATEMENT, WE CAN'T DO ANYTHING BECAUSE THERE ISN'T ENOUGH.  
4 BUT WE HAVE THE CAPACITY TO DO A LOT. AND THIS IS A CALL FOR  
5 US TO ORGANIZE OURSELVES ACCORDINGLY. ON THE COMMISSION  
6 RECOMMENDATIONS REFLECT BEST PRACTICES THAT ARE IN PLACE  
7 ACROSS THE COUNTRY, AND THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION IS SEEKING  
8 TO GET LOS ANGELES TO ADOPT THEM. THAT'S A GOOD THING. THAT'S  
9 A SMART THING. THAT'S WHY WE EMPANELED THIS STELLAR GROUP OF  
10 INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE TAKEN THEIR TASK SERIOUSLY. THEY ARE NOT  
11 NEW FANGLED EXPERIMENTS BY ANY STRETCH OF THE IMAGINATION AND  
12 NOT TARGETING ANY SINGLE DEPARTMENT SEEKING TO OUT THAT  
13 DEPARTMENT FOR DERELICTION BUT CALLING FOR FULL SCALE  
14 COLLABORATION IN THE INTEREST OF CHILD SAFETY AND PROTECTION.  
15 SO THE QUESTION IS REALLY SHALL WE WAIT UNTIL ANOTHER CHILD IS  
16 PUT AT RISK OR WE HAVE TO DEAL WITH MORE HEADLINES THAT ARE  
17 EMBARRASSING AND EXPENDING WHAT I CONSIDER PRECIOUS MORAL  
18 CAPITAL? I WOULD THINK NOT. I THINK WE SHOULD TAKE THESE  
19 RECOMMENDATIONS BEFORE US AND ONE HAVE CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE  
20 OF ONE BE SEEN BY A MEDICAL HUB WHEN DETAINED OR PUBLIC HEALTH  
21 NURSE TO GO OUT AND SEE THE CHILDREN WITH A SOCIAL WORKER WHO  
22 IS INVESTIGATING CHILD ABUSE AND ACROSS THE REPORTING OF CHILD  
23 ABUSE BY LAW ENFORCEMENT WHICH CAN ENSURE THAT D.C.F.S. KNOWS  
24 WHEN THE CHILD HAD BEEN PREVIOUSLY SUBJECTED TO ABUSE. THESE  
25 ARE THINGS THAT WE HAD KIND OF ANECDOTALLY DEALT WITH AS THEY



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1 CAME UP IN ISOLATED INSTANCES. THIS COMMISSION HAS LOOKED AT  
2 IT COMPREHENSIVELY AND RECOMMENDED THAT IF WE WERE TO DO THESE  
3 THINGS, WE COULD TAKE AN IMPORTANT STEP FORWARD. TODAY IS THE  
4 DAY TO DO IT. AND I THINK IMMEDIATE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE  
5 RECOMMENDATIONS IN OF A COST-NEUTRAL MANNER WOULD BE  
6 CONSISTENT WITH OUR LONG-STANDING POLICY. AND I WOULD WANT TO  
7 ADD D.H.S. AND D.P.H. WOULD COME FORWARD AND GIVE THEIR  
8 REMARKS, BECAUSE I HAVE A FEW COMMENTS TO MAKE. SO DR.  
9 FIELDING, DR. GHALLY, IF YOU WOULD BE KIND ENOUGH TO JOIN US,  
10 THAT WOULD BE HELPFUL, MR. CHAIR.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE HAVE BEEN IN DISCUSSION WITH YOUR  
13 OFFICE, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS WE WILL WAIT FOR FURTHER  
14 TESTIMONY TO MAKE SOME SUGGESTED CHANGES BECAUSE YOUR MOTION  
15 IS CLEARLY IMPLEMENTING MOTION AND NOT WITHIN EXISTING  
16 RESOURCES OR ANY COST BASIS FOR WHAT THE COST OF THESE THINGS  
17 ARE. ALL THE RECOMMENDATION OF GOOD IS NOT A MATTER OF THERE'S  
18 NOT ENOUGH; WE JUST DON'T KNOW WHAT ENOUGH IS AND THE COST  
19 ASSOCIATED WITH ENOUGH TO DO THIS. AND THAT'S WHAT I THINK I'M  
20 ASKING FOR AND I THINK MY COLLEAGUES ARE, AS WELL. SO WHOEVER  
21 WANTS TO GO FIRST. DO YOU WANT TO MAKE ANY COMMENTS TO THEM  
22 FIRST? OR YOU JUST WANT THEM TO?

23

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1    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NO, DR. GHALLY AND DR. FIELDING, ANY  
2    REMARKS THAT YOU WOULD BE PREPARED TO OFFER, WE WOULD BE GLAD  
3    TO HEAR FROM YOU.

4  
5    **CHRISTINA GHALLY:** THANK YOU, I'M CHRISTINA GHALLY THE DEPUTY  
6    DIRECT ARE FOR STRATEGIC PLANNING. WE DO AGREE WITH THE  
7    RECOMMENDATIONS PROVIDED IN THIS MOTION. WE FEEL THAT THE  
8    RECOMMENDATIONS THAT PERTAIN SPECIFICALLY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF  
9    HEALTH SERVICES WOULD BE BENEFICIAL FOR THE CHILDREN THAT ARE  
10   LESS THAN ONE YEAR OF AGE, TO HAVE THOSE CHILDREN DETAINED  
11   WITHIN THE D.C.F.S. SYSTEM TO RECEIVE A MEDICAL SCREENING AND  
12   EXAM AT ONE OF THE HUB CLINICS THAT ARE LOCATED ACROSS THE  
13   D.H.S. SYSTEM OF CARE. THAT IS CONSISTENT WITH THE  
14   RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE AMERICAN ACADEMY OF PEDIATRICS WHICH  
15   HAVE SIMILAR RECOMMENDATIONS FOR DOING MEDICAL SCREENING EXAMS  
16   FOR YOUNG CHILDREN THAT ARE DETAINED WITHIN CUSTODY SYSTEMS.  
17   AND WE FEEL THAT THAT COULD POTENTIALLY HELP TO ALLEVIATE SOME  
18   OF THE DANGERS THAT THOSE CHILDREN FACE. CURRENTLY THE VOLUME  
19   OF CHILDREN THAT WOULD BE AFFECTED IS ABOUT 170 CHILDREN PER  
20   MONTH. WE DO FEEL WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT THAT WE WOULD BE ABLE  
21   TO ABSORB THAT VOLUME OF SCREENING WITHIN OUR EXISTING  
22   RESOURCES WITHOUT THE NEED TO HIRE ADDITIONAL STAFF OR ADD TO  
23   OUR BUDGET IN ONE FORM OR ANOTHER. AND WE SUPPORT THAT WE  
24   COULD BE ABLE TO IMPLEMENT THOSE CHANGES WITHIN THE 45-DAY  
25   PERIOD THAT'S OUTLINED IN THE MOTION AFTER PUTTING IN PLACE

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1 SOME VARIOUS PROCESSES AND PROTOCOLS TO BE ABLE TO ENSURE THAT  
2 THE SCREENINGS TAKE PLACE IN A TIMELY MANNER. I'D BE HAPPY TO  
3 ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS IF THERE ARE ANY.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ANY QUESTIONS BEFORE WE GO TO DR.  
6 FIELDING? DR. FIELDING?

7

8 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AS A PEDIATRICIAN,  
9 I'M TERRIBLY CONCERNED ABOUT THIS POPULATION. WE KNOW THAT THE  
10 CHILDREN ZERO TO ONE ARE AT A CRITICAL DEVELOPMENTAL AGE AND  
11 THEY'RE EVEN MORE AT RISK THAN SOME OTHERS, BOTH PHYSICAL AND  
12 DEVELOPMENTALLY. THEY'RE MORE LIKELY TO HAVE NUTRITIONAL  
13 PROBLEMS, MORE LIKELY TO HAVE SECONDHAND SMOKE EXPOSURE, MORE  
14 LIKELY FOR A LOT OF PROBLEMS. MORE LIKELY TO NOT UNFORTUNATELY  
15 HAVE THE KIND OF NURTURING THAT WE KNOW IS REALLY CRITICAL TO  
16 NORMAL GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT AT A TIME WHEN THE BRAIN IS  
17 REALLY IN THE MIDST OF A VERY IMPORTANT SPURT AND DEVELOPMENT.  
18 WE AGREE THAT EVERY CHILD SHOULD BE SCREENED. OUR ROLE HAS  
19 BEEN TO STRONGLY SUPPORT D.C.F.S., OUR NURSES ARE INVOLVED  
20 AFTER THE DECISION HAS BEEN MADE TO PUT THEM IN CUSTODY AND TO  
21 PUT THEM IN FOSTER HOMES. OUR NURSES REVIEW IN THAT SITUATION,  
22 ALL OUR PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES REVIEW ALL THE CHARTS. WE DO CARE  
23 COORDINATION. WE GO OUT AND DO HOME VISITS. WE AGREE THAT THE  
24 ZERO TO ONE POPULATION SHOULD RECEIVE A PRIORITY WITH RESPECT  
25 TO THOSE VISITS. WE'RE FORTUNATE THAT WE HAVE VERY WELL

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1 TRAINED PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES WHO CAN LOOK NOT ONLY AT THE  
2 PHYSICAL ISSUE BUT AT THE SOCIAL ENVIRONMENT, AT THE PHYSICAL  
3 ENVIRONMENT WHICH ARE CRITICAL TO GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT. I'M  
4 JOINED BY DR. ALLEN TOMINAS, WHO IS A PEDIATRICIAN AND WHO IS  
5 IN CHARGE OF THAT GROUP OF NURSES, APPROXIMATELY 80 NURSES  
6 THAT GO OUT AND DO THIS WORK, WORKING CLOSELY WITH THE SOCIAL  
7 WORKERS AND D.C.F.S.

8

9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIRMAN?

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YES.

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I GUESS THE QUESTION FOR EACH OF THESE  
14 DEPARTMENTS WHO ARE BEING CALLED FORTH TO ENHANCE THEIR  
15 EFFORTS IN COLLABORATION WITH D.C.F.S. IS THE RECOMMENDATIONS  
16 AS THEY CURRENTLY STAND. IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT YOU CAN  
17 DO WHAT IS BEING RECOMMENDED WITH EXISTING RESOURCES. IS THAT  
18 YOUR UNDERSTANDING? AND ARE YOU PREPARED TO REPRESENT THAT  
19 TODAY, DR. GHALY?

20

21 **DR. GHALLY:** YES, THAT'S TRUE. DR. FIELDING?

22

23 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** WE'RE CERTAINLY ABLE TO -- I'M GOING TO  
24 HEDGE A LITTLE BIT BECAUSE OUR ROLE IS SUPPORTIVE OF D.C.F.S.

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1    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** RIGHT.

2

3    **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** SO IT'S REALLY A QUESTION OF -- MAINLY  
4    A QUESTION OF THEIR BUDGET, PARTICULARLY IN TERMS OF  
5    INVESTIGATING ALL THE PURPORTED POTENTIAL CASES OF CHILD ABUSE  
6    AND NEGLECT. SO WE'RE NOT INVOLVED IN THOSE INITIAL, SO I  
7    CAN'T REALLY SPEAK TO THAT QUESTION. I CAN SAY THAT WE'RE ABLE  
8    TO PRIORITIZE THE ZERO TO ONE POPULATION WITH OUR EXISTING  
9    GROUP OF PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES. OUR CASELOAD IS UNFORTUNATELY  
10    ABOUT 40 TO 50 PERCENT HIGHER THAN IS RECOMMENDED. WE HAVE AN  
11    AVERAGE CASELOAD OF ABOUT 285 PER NURSE. IT'S RECOMMENDED IT  
12    BE 200. SO WE'RE CONTINUING TO LOOK AND SEE HOW WE CAN BEST  
13    PRIORITIZE TO MAKE SURE WE'RE BEING FAIR TO ALL THE OTHER  
14    CHILDREN, AS WELL. WE'LL COME BACK IF WE FIND THAT THAT'S NOT  
15    SUFFICIENT.

16

17    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEA -- COULD I JUST  
18    ASK? OUT OF ALL DUE RESPECT, YOU'RE SAYING NOW YOU CAN DO IT  
19    WITHIN EXISTING RESOURCES. I'M NOT SURE WHY IT COULDN'T HAVE  
20    BEEN DONE PREVIOUSLY UNDER EXISTING RESOURCES. DO YOU HAVE ANY  
21    IDEA WHAT THE EXISTING RESOURCES' COSTS WOULD BE TO US, TO  
22    YOUR BUDGET?

23

24    **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** I THINK THAT AT THIS POINT WE ARE ABLE  
25    TO MEET THE NEEDS.

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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S NOT A MATTER OF MEETING THE NEEDS.

3 IF THE BOARD DIRECTS, YOU WILL FIGURE OUT A WAY TO DO IT. BUT

4 ALL I'M SAYING IS THIS IS A COMMISSION THAT WE ALL SUPPORT.

5 THIS IS A COMMISSION THAT'S GOING TO BE COMING BACK WITH

6 BEAUCOUP RECOMMENDATIONS, ALL OF WHICH WE PROBABLY WILL THINK

7 ARE GOOD, BUT IN THE BIG SCHEME OF THINGS, AT SOME POINT WE'LL

8 PROBABLY AS A MATTER OF RESOURCES HAVE TO PRIORITIZE. I

9 PERSONALLY THINK THE NURSE ISSUE IS ONE OF THE BIG ONES AND I

10 THINK THAT IS REALLY IMPORTANT. BUT FOR YOU TO SIT THERE AND

11 SAY THAT YOU CAN MEET IT WITHIN EXISTING RESOURCES AND NOT

12 GIVE US A DOLLAR AMOUNT NOR HAS THERE BEEN A DOLLAR AMOUNT

13 ATTACHED TO TRY TO IMPLEMENT A PROGRAM WITHOUT THE DOLLAR

14 AMOUNT, YOU GET INTO SOMETHING, AS WE DO SOMETIMES IN

15 GOVERNMENT, AND IT JUST ESCALATES AND IT GETS OUT OF CONTROL.

16 SO IF WE DO IT, I THINK WE SHOULD DO IT RIGHT. I THINK WE

17 SHOULD HAVE THE BUDGET DOLLARS FOR THAT. AND SO THAT WE KNOW

18 THAT WE HAVE A PROGRAM, NOT JUST A PROGRAM FOR RUNAWAY DOLLARS

19 BUT A PROGRAM TO DO THE RIGHT THING FOR THE KIDS. SO THAT'S

20 THE PROBLEM I HAVE WITH THE MOTION IS NOT WHAT ITS INTENT IS,

21 BUT TO IMPLEMENT WITHOUT KNOWING WHAT THOSE DOLLARS ARE ON 10

22 RECOMMENDATIONS, OF WHICH THERE WILL BE WHO KNOWS HOW MANY

23 MORE, I THINK MAKES IT DIFFICULT FOR US DOWN THE ROAD TO DEAL

24 WITH OTHER IMPORTANT ISSUES AS IT RELATES TO THE KIDS. BECAUSE

25 AT THE END OF THE DAY, THAT'S WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO DEAL WITH.

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1 WE'RE TRYING TO PUT TOGETHER SOMETHING TO RESPOND TO THE  
2 COMMISSION, MORE IMPORTANTLY RESPOND TO THE KIDS AND THE  
3 FAMILIES. BUT WE HAVE TO DO THAT IN CONTEXT OF HAVING THE  
4 DOLLARS TO DO WHAT WE NEED TO DO AND PRIORITIZE THOSE  
5 PROGRAMS.

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT. MR. CHAIRMAN, PERHAPS IN LIGHT  
8 OF DR. FIELDING'S TESTIMONY THAT HE BELIEVES THAT THE  
9 RECOMMENDATION CAN BE APPROPRIATELY PRIORITIZED, CAN'T SPEAK  
10 EXHAUSTIVELY TO THE COST IMPLICATIONS AT THIS POINT, I  
11 INTERPRET THAT TO MEAN THAT THERE'S NO REASON FOR ALARM. BUT  
12 HE DID ALSO INDICATE THAT THIS WOULD NEED TO BE DONE IN TANDEM  
13 WITH D.C.F.S. AS D.P.H. BACKS D.C.F.S. UP IN THE WORK THAT  
14 NEEDS TO BE DONE WITH THE SOCIAL WORKERS, NOW ADDING A PUBLIC  
15 HEALTH NURSE. PERHAPS IT'S APPROPRIATE TO ASK MR. BROWNING IF  
16 HE WOULD HELP SHED SOME LIGHT ON THIS SUBJECT, AND I'D BE GLAD  
17 TO, WITH YOUR PERMISSION, MR. CHAIRMAN, INVITE MR. BROWNING TO  
18 COME FORWARD SO THAT WE COULD GET FURTHER EXPLANATION.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IF WE COULD ASK DR. FIELDING TO REMAIN UP  
21 THERE BECAUSE I MAY HAVE QUESTIONS FOR BOTH OF THEM.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AND THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT, AS WELL, TOO.  
24 IT'S ALL APPROPRIATE TESTIMONY, BUT THERE IS NO DOLLARS  
25 ATTACHED TO THE TESTIMONY.



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1

2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I GET THAT. BUT I WANT TO ASSOCIATE MYSELF  
3 WITH THE INITIAL POINT YOU MADE, THAT THIS IS ALL APPROPRIATE  
4 TESTIMONY BECAUSE I THINK ALL OF US ARE TRYING TO MOVE IN THE  
5 DIRECTION OF MAXIMIZING CHILD SAFETY AND PROTECTION. GOOD  
6 MORNING, MR. BROWNING.

7

8 **PHILIP BROWNING:** GOOD MORNING, SIR.

9

10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THE MATTER IS BEFORE US AS YOU WELL KNOW,  
11 AND IT SEEMS TO ME THAT YOU HAD OPPORTUNITY TO RESPOND THROUGH  
12 YOUR OWN COMMUNICATION TO THE BOARD PURSUANT TO OUR REQUEST ON  
13 THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION'S INTERIM REPORT AND  
14 RECOMMENDATIONS. WE SEE NO SUBSTANTIAL POINT OF OBJECTION THAT  
15 YOU'VE RAISED, BUT IN FACT HAVE ELECTED -- YOU HAVE ELECTED TO  
16 EMBRACE THE RECOMMENDATIONS IN LARGE MEASURE. ON THE QUESTION  
17 OF THE MOTION, PERHAPS IT WOULD BE HELPFUL FOR YOU TO PICK UP  
18 ON WHERE DR. FIELDING LEFT OFF IN TERMS OF YOUR BEING THE LEAD  
19 ENTITY WITH RESPECT TO THE COORDINATION WITH THE SOCIAL WORKER  
20 AND THE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE AS IS BEING RECOMMENDED. THE  
21 BOARD'S CONCERN, AND RIGHTLY SO, IS COST IMPLICATIONS. WE'VE  
22 REQUESTED BY WAY OF RECOMMENDATION HERE THAT THESE BE DONE  
23 WITHIN -- THESE RECOMMENDATIONS BE DONE WITHIN EXISTING  
24 RESOURCES, COST-NEUTRAL IMPLICATIONS. BUT BOTTOM LINE, THE  
25 PROTECTION OF CHILDREN, WHICH I KNOW IS OF TANTAMOUNT

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1 IMPORTANCE TO YOU, AS WELL. SO WOULD YOU WEIGH IN AND OFFER  
2 YOUR INSIGHTS ON THIS, PLEASE?

3

4 **PHILIP BROWNING:** CERTAINLY. I THINK WE SENT A LETTER BACK TO  
5 YOU AND THE BOARD A COUPLE OF DAYS AGO INDICATING THAT WE  
6 THOUGHT THERE WAS A LOT OF MERIT IN THESE RECOMMENDATIONS,  
7 PARTICULARLY WITH PUBLIC HEALTH. I WANT TO BE AS CLEAR AS I  
8 CAN THAT I'M NOT CONFIDENT THAT WE HAVE CURRENT RESOURCES THAT  
9 COULD MANAGE TO SEE ALL THE CHILDREN THAT ARE NEEDED UNDER ONE  
10 WITH THE SOCIAL WORKER AND A PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE. RIGHT NOW WE  
11 HAVE ABOUT 130 OR 40 OR SO NURSES THROUGHOUT THE DEPARTMENT,  
12 BUT WE HAVE OVER 3,000 SOCIAL WORKERS. I THINK NURSES ARE  
13 CRITICAL. AND WE CERTAINLY WORKED HARD WITH THE PUBLIC HEALTH  
14 DEPARTMENT. SO THEY HAVE A GROUP OF NURSES AND WE HAVE A GROUP  
15 OF NURSES. OUR NURSES ARE PRIMARILY DIRECTED WHEN THERE IS NOT  
16 AN OPEN CASE. SO THE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES THAT ARE UNDER THE  
17 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, I THINK THEY'RE RESTRICTED, IF  
18 YOU WILL, TO SERVE THOSE CHILDREN WHERE WE HAVE ALREADY OPENED  
19 A CASE. AND WE HAVE ABOUT 7,000 OF THOSE CHILDREN UNDER TWO  
20 YEARS OF AGE THAT ARE CURRENTLY IN SOME SORT OF RELATIVE OR  
21 FOSTER HOME PROGRAM. THE CHILDREN -- AND SO THOSE NURSES CAN  
22 REALLY BE OF ASSISTANCE TO OUR WORKERS THERE. THE PUBLIC  
23 HEALTH NURSES ARE HOUSED IN OUR LOCAL OFFICES. AND THERE'S A  
24 WAITING LIST, SO TO SPEAK. SO IF ONE OF OUR SOCIAL WORKERS  
25 WANTS A CONSULTATION, THEY HAVE TO GO TO ONE OF THE NURSES,

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1 JUST BECAUSE THERE ARE NOT ENOUGH OF THEM. WE ALSO HAVE THE  
2 PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES WHO ARE EMPLOYED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF  
3 CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES, AND THEY HAVE A LITTLE MORE  
4 LATITUDE BECAUSE THEY CAN GO OUT ON A CASE THAT HASN'T  
5 ACTUALLY BEEN OPENED. SO THEY CAN GO ON AN EMERGENCY RESPONSE  
6 SITUATION. BUT IN MOST CASES PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES HAVE NOT  
7 ACTUALLY DONE THAT BECAUSE OF THEIR POSITION DESCRIPTION.  
8 THEY'RE NOT R.N.S IN THE SENSE THAT THEY'RE OUT TAKING  
9 TEMPERATURES AND BLOOD PRESSURE AND THAT SORT OF THING.

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** JUST A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS. DOES THE  
12 DEPARTMENT CURRENTLY KEEP DATA ON THE HEALTH OUTCOMES OF  
13 CHILDREN SEEN BY THE NURSES THAT YOU MAKE REFERENCE TO?

14

15 **PHILIP BROWNING:** YES, WE DO HAVE DATA. I THINK WE'VE PROVIDED  
16 THAT SOMETIME IN THE PAST. I DIDN'T BRING THAT WITH ME. BUT I  
17 KNOW THAT THE NURSES KEEP TRACK OF THE VISITS THEY MAKE, THE  
18 CONSULTATIONS AND THE ASSISTANCE THEY PROVIDE TO THE SOCIAL  
19 WORKERS. WHAT WE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE IS A SITUATION THAT WE  
20 HAVE WITH OUR CURRENT SOCIAL WORKERS WHERE WE HAVE A 24/7  
21 OPERATION, WHERE WE CAN DISPATCH A SOCIAL WORKER IN THE MIDDLE  
22 OF THE NIGHT. SO IF IT'S AT 2:00 IN THE MORNING, WE GET AN  
23 EMERGENCY CALL, WE HAVE A SOCIAL WORKER WHO CAN GO. WE DON'T  
24 HAVE THAT SORT OF RELATIONSHIP WITH THE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES.

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1 AND I THINK THAT'S IN SOME RESPECT DUE TO THE HISTORICAL  
2 NATURE OF THE USE OF THEM AS A CONSULTANT.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WHICH IS A THRUST OF THE MOTION. WHICH IS  
5 A THRUST OF THE RECOMMENDATION BEING MADE BY THE BLUE RIBBON  
6 COMMISSION TO CURE THAT PROBLEM. IF I INTERPRET WHAT YOU'RE  
7 SAYING CORRECTLY, THERE'S A NEED FOR BETTER COORDINATION  
8 COLLABORATION BETWEEN THOSE TWO SETS OF HEALTH PROVIDERS. THAT  
9 IS TO SAY THE SOCIAL WORKERS ON THE ONE HAND AND THE PUBLIC  
10 HELD NURSES ON THE OTHER IN THE INTEREST OF INSURING THAT A  
11 QUALITY VISIT TAKES PLACE AND THAT A CHILD'S SAFETY AND  
12 PROTECTION IS MAXIMIZED. THIS IS A GAP THAT THE COUNTY OF LOS  
13 ANGELES HAS TO FILL. IT IS COMMON PRACTICE. IT IS BEST  
14 PRACTICE THROUGHOUT THE NATION AND THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION  
15 HAS CALLED IT TO OUR ATTENTION AND THEREFORE THE  
16 RECOMMENDATION. AND PERHAPS YOU CAN SPEAK TO A TYPICAL AND  
17 ONGOING CASELOAD FOR A NURSE THAT'S CURRENTLY OPERATING IN THE  
18 CONTEXT OF THE D.C.F.S. AND MR. BROWNING.

19

20 **PHILIP BROWNING:** I THINK IN MOST CASES THEY DON'T HAVE AN  
21 ONGOING CASELOAD. IT'S LIKE A SOCIAL WORKER IN CONTINUING  
22 SERVICES. THEY ARE THERE FOR CONSULTATION. SO IF ONE OF OUR  
23 WORKERS HAS A SITUATION WHERE THEY HAVE A CHILD THAT MIGHT  
24 HAVE A RASH, THEY WOULD CONTACT THE NURSE AND GET

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1 CONSULTATION. THERE ARE WORKERS -- NURSES WHO DO MAKE HOME  
2 VISITS, BUT THAT'S NOT THEIR TRADITIONAL ROLE.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WHAT IS THEIR TRADITIONAL ROLE?

5

6 **PHILIP BROWNING:** WELL I THINK THEIR TRADITIONAL ROLE IS TO  
7 PROVIDE CONSULTATION. SO IF OUR SOCIAL WORKERS HAVE A QUESTION  
8 OR A CONCERN, PARTICULARLY WITH A CHILD THAT IS IN THEIR CARE,  
9 THEN WE CAN CONTACT THE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE. I'VE GONE TO THE  
10 OFFICES. AND THERE'S OFTEN A LINE STANDING OUT IN FRONT OF THE  
11 PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE'S CUBICLE WHERE THE WORKER IS SAYING: CAN  
12 YOU HELP ME WITH THIS SPECIFIC SITUATION? CAN YOU GIVE ME  
13 ADVICE? AND I THINK THE NURSE IS IN A POSITION TO DO THAT FROM  
14 THE OFFICE SETTING. BUT THEY ARE NOT IN THE FIELD IN THE SAME  
15 SENSE THAT OUR SOCIAL WORKERS ARE VISITING EVERY MONTH OR  
16 PROVIDING AN EMERGENCY RESPONSE. I THINK THE HOPE HAD BEEN  
17 THERE MIGHT BE A WAY THAT WE COULD TAG TEAM A NURSE AND A  
18 SOCIAL WORKER WHO WOULD GO OUT IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT IF  
19 THERE WAS A CHILD THAT CAME TO THE ATTENTION OF THE DEPARTMENT  
20 AND WE THOUGHT IT WAS AN URGENT SITUATION.

21

22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** LET ME JUST GET THIS ONE LAST QUESTION IN,  
23 MR. CHAIRMAN. AND IT'S THE REPORT WHICH WE ARE APPRECIATIVE OF  
24 THAT YOU ISSUED IN RESPONSE TO THE BOARD'S REQUEST FOR YOU TO  
25 DO SO IN THAT YOU PUT IN A NUMBER OF APPROXIMATELY 88 MORE

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1 NURSES WOULD BE NEEDED TO PRIORITIZE VISITS FOR EVERY INFANT.  
2 SOME OF US WERE TAKEN ABACK BY THAT NUMBER, MR. BROWNING. AND  
3 SO IT SEEMS TO ME THAT THERE'S A NEED TO JUSTIFY THAT  
4 PROJECTION. AND WHAT'S THE ANALYSIS? WHERE'S THE DATA THAT  
5 MAKES IT CLEAR THAT THAT MANY MORE HIRES WOULD BE WARRANTED?  
6 THE ASSUMPTION AND THE ASSERTION BEING MADE HERE IN THE  
7 RECOMMENDATIONS WOULD BE WITHIN EXISTING RESOURCES. THEREFORE  
8 I THINK IN ORDER TO GET STARTED MINIMALLY THERE SHOULD BE SOME  
9 EFFORT TO INDICATE WHAT COULD BE DONE WITHIN EXISTING  
10 RESOURCES RATHER THAN ESSENTIALLY SAYING IT WOULD REQUIRE AS  
11 MANY AS ALMOST A 100 MORE NURSES TO GET THIS DONE. WHAT CAN BE  
12 DONE WITHIN EXISTING RESOURCES TO ACCOMPLISH WHAT YOU HAVE  
13 INDICATED IS AN IMPORTANT THING TO ACCOMPLISH IN TERMS OF  
14 SOCIAL WORKERS AND PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES?

15

16 **PHILIP BROWNING:** I THINK WHAT WE CAN DO IS BRING BACK SOME  
17 MATERIAL WHICH WILL DESCRIBE HOW WE CAME UP WITH THAT NUMBER.  
18 I THINK IT WAS BASED ON THE LARGE NUMBER OF CHILDREN THAT WE  
19 SEE AND THE FACT THAT THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN WE SEE UNDER ONE  
20 IS GROWING. SO IT'S GROWN FROM THREE OR FOUR YEARS AGO, IT'S  
21 GROWN THREE OR FOUR PERCENT. SO WE'RE SEEING MORE CHILDREN  
22 UNDER ONE. AND I THINK WHAT WE WOULD DO IS LOOK AT THE  
23 EXISTING RESOURCES. WE WOULD HAVE TO REDIRECT THE EXISTING  
24 RESOURCES IF WE WERE TO MOVE IN THE DIRECTION YOU'RE  
25 PROPOSING. WE WOULD HAVE TO CERTAINLY COME TO SOME SORT OF AN

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1 AGREEMENT WITH NURSES THAT THEY WOULD BE WORKING ON A 24/7  
2 OPERATION INSTEAD OF A TRADITIONAL WORKFORCE HOURS. THAT'S NOT  
3 TO SAY THAT IT COULDN'T BE DONE, BUT I DO THINK THAT THAT  
4 WOULD BE SOMETHING WE'D WANT TO BRING BACK TO THIS GROUP TO  
5 FULLY DISCUSS.

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** FINAL QUESTION, MR. CHAIRMAN. AND, MR.  
8 BROWNING, IN TERMS OF YOUR ANALYSIS AND YOUR PROJECTIONS, WAS  
9 THAT DONE IN COLLABORATION WITH PUBLIC HEALTH TO TRY TO GET TO  
10 THE SPIRIT AND INTENT OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS AS TO SOCIAL  
11 WORKERS AND PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES WORKING TOGETHER? I MEAN, DID  
12 THIS ANALYSIS INCLUDE THOSE WHO WOULD BE REQUIRED TO BACK YOU  
13 UP?

14

15 **PHILIP BROWNING:** I BELIEVE THERE WAS CONSULTATION WITH SOME OF  
16 THE MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS. WE DO HAVE A PSYCHIATRIST THAT  
17 WORKS FOR US. AND I BELIEVE THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC  
18 HEALTH OR MAYBE HEALTH WAS CONSULTED TO COME UP WITH SOME OF  
19 THESE ESTIMATES.

20

21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** BUT YOU'RE NOT COMPLETELY SURE THAT THAT  
22 WAS DONE?

23

24 **PHILIP BROWNING:** I COULD FIND OUT IN 15 MINUTES BY MAKING A  
25 PHONE CALL.



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** IT MIGHT BE BY LOOKING TO YOUR RIGHT AND  
3 ASKING THE GENTLEMAN TO YOUR RIGHT IF THAT WAS THE CASE.

4

5 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** WE'VE CERTAINLY BEEN IN CLOSE CONTACT  
6 WITH D.C.F.S. I DON'T KNOW THAT WE'VE BEEN PARTY TO  
7 DEVELOPMENT OF THOSE NUMBERS.

8

9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DOES THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY  
14 SERVICES HAVE ON STAFF PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES?

15

16 **PHILIP BROWNING:** WE DO.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I DON'T UNDERSTAND THE PROBLEM WITH THE  
19 DEPARTMENT HAVING TO INTERFACE WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC  
20 HEALTH AND THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES IF  
21 THE NURSES ARE ON YOUR STAFF AND NOT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC  
22 HEALTH.

23

24 **PHILIP BROWNING:** WELL THERE ARE TWO SETS OF NURSES. ONE ARE  
25 EMPLOYED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH. AND THEN THERE'S

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1 A NUMBER THAT'S ABOUT THE SAME NUMBER THAT ARE EMPLOYED BY THE  
2 DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES. SO THE ONES THAT  
3 ARE EMPLOYED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, THEY'RE  
4 PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES. AND THEY ARE IN OUR OFFICES JUST LIKE  
5 THE QUOTE/UNQUOTE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES THAT ARE D.C.F.S.  
6 EMPLOYEES. SO THEY'RE BOTH IN OUR OFFICES. THE PUBLIC HEALTH  
7 NURSES THAT ARE EMPLOYED BY D.C.F.S. CAN GO OUT BEFORE A CASE  
8 IS ACTUALLY OPENED. I THINK THERE'S A SITUATION, A FUNDING  
9 SITUATION WITH THE NURSES THAT ARE EMPLOYED BY THE DEPARTMENT  
10 OF PUBLIC HEALTH. SO THEY'RE PRIMARILY USED AFTER A CASE HAS  
11 BEEN ESTABLISHED.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. THE FUNDING IS BECAUSE PUBLIC HEALTH  
14 HAS A SEPARATE FUNDING SOURCE FOR THOSE POSITIONS THAN YOU  
15 HAVE? AND WHY DO WE ALLOW THAT DISPARITY TO CONTINUE? WHY  
16 CAN'T THEY BE CONSOLIDATED OR IF YOUR HANDS ARE TIED BECAUSE  
17 OF SOME BUREAUCRATIC STRAIGHT-JACKETS, THAT YOU HAVE THE  
18 ABILITY TO CONTRACT FOR THAT PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE TO GO OUT  
19 WHEN THE NEED ARISES, INSTEAD OF BEING LEFT IN A SITUATION  
20 WHERE YOU HAVE A BARRIER THAT LEAVES THE CHILD A VICTIM OF  
21 BUREAUCRACY?

22

23 **PHILIP BROWNING:** WELL, I KNOW FOR THE NURSES THAT ARE D.C.F.S.  
24 EMPLOYEES, THAT THERE ARE DIFFERENCES IN WHAT THEIR DUTIES --

25

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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHY CAN'T WE HAVE ALL OF THOSE DIFFERENCES  
2    RESOLVED SO THAT INDIVIDUAL IS ABLE TO RESPOND WHEN THE NEED  
3    ARISES, WHICH IS A 24/7 PROBLEM?

4

5    **PHILIP BROWNING:** I THINK IT'S A FUNDING ISSUE.

6

7    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHY CAN'T WE RESOLVE THAT FUNDING ISSUE AT  
8    THE BEGINNING WHEN WE DO THE BUDGETS INSTEAD OF PIECEMEAL AS  
9    WE MOVE ALONG? AND WHY WASN'T THIS ISSUE BROUGHT TO OUR  
10   ATTENTION SOONER THAT THERE IS A FUNDING MECHANISM THAT  
11   PREVENTS THIS COLLABORATION?

12

13   **PHILIP BROWNING:** I THINK IT'S BEEN BROUGHT TO THE BOARD'S  
14   ATTENTION IN THE PAST. THIS IS A LONG-STANDING PRACTICE FOR  
15   FIVE OR SIX YEARS. I KNOW STAFF IN OUR DEPARTMENT AND THE  
16   PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT HAVE TALKED ABOUT HOW WE COULD CHANGE  
17   THOSE RULES. AND, FRANKLY, SUPERVISOR, I THOUGHT IT WOULD BE  
18   PRETTY EASY. BUT I LOOKED AT THE REGULATION AND THE STATUTE  
19   AND THERE DIDN'T SEEM TO BE ANY WAY AROUND THE FUNDING  
20   MECHANISM THAT SAID FOR THE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES THAT ARE  
21   EMPLOYED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, THEY COULD NOT GO  
22   OUT ON AN EMERGENCY SITUATION AND BE PAID FOR.

23

24   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT IS A STRAIGHT-JACKET. THEY COULD BE PAID  
25   FOR. HOW DO WE THEN CHANGE THAT REGULATION? IS IT A REGULATION

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1 WE IMPOSE? IS IT A REGULATION BY THE STATE OR IS IT A  
2 REGULATION BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT?

3

4 **PHILIP BROWNING:** I DON'T WANT TO SPEAK OUT OF TURN. I THINK  
5 THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH WOULD BE BETTER POSITIONED TO  
6 SPEAK TO THAT POINT.

7

8 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** I KNOW THAT THE C.E.O. LOOKED AT THIS  
9 ISSUE SOMETIME IN THE NOT- TOO-DISTANT PAST. MY UNDERSTANDING  
10 IS THAT THE HEALTH CARE PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE  
11 PROVIDES ASSISTANCE TO THE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE, COORDINATION  
12 FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILY YOUTH THAT HAVE BEEN PLACED BY COURT  
13 ORDER OUTSIDE THE HOME AND INTO FOSTER CARE. I'M NOT SURE IF  
14 THAT'S STATE REGULATION OR FEDERAL REGULATION.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. WE WORKED WITH PRESIDENT GEORGE W. BUSH  
17 AND WE WERE ABLE TO CHANGE REGULATIONS THAT ALLOWED US TO  
18 PROVIDE RESOURCES FOR THE EMANCIPATED YOUTH. HE SIGNED THE  
19 LEGISLATION, THE AUTHORITY. IT REQUIRED THE STATES TO DO THAT.  
20 HE GAVE US THAT AUTHORITY. WE WORKED WITH THE STATE AND  
21 SPEAKER BASS AND IS IT SUPERVISOR MAZO, MATA, FROM NORTHERN  
22 CALIFORNIA, THEY HAD A BIPARTISAN LEGISLATION. IT WAS SIGNED  
23 INTO LAW BY GOVERNOR SCHWARZENEGGER THAT GAVE THE COUNTIES  
24 THAT ABILITY. SO THERE WAS A ROADBLOCK AND WE CHANGED THAT  
25 ROADBLOCK. WE HAD A PROBLEM WITH THE DEPARTMENT WITH THE METRO

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1 TRANSIT SYSTEM AND NOW WE HAVE THE BUS PASSES FOR EMANCIPATED  
2 YOUTH. WE WERE ABLE TO CHANGE THOSE REGULATIONS. I'M SAYING IF  
3 THERE'S A ROADBLOCK, LET'S NOT JUST SAY THAT THERE'S A  
4 PROBLEM; WE CAN GO UP TO THE FEDS AND WORK FOR THOSE CHANGES.  
5 WE CAN GO TO THE STATE AND WORK FOR THOSE CHANGES. BUT LET'S  
6 ALL BE ON THE SAME PAGE INSTEAD OF HAVING OUR CHILDREN BEING  
7 LEFT VICTIMIZED BECAUSE OF BARRIERS THAT WE PUT UP THROUGH A  
8 BUREAUCRATIC MAZE THAT SERVES NO ONE BUT THE BUREAUCRACY.  
9 THAT'S MY FRUSTRATION.

10

11 **PHILIP BROWNING:** I AGREE, SUPERVISOR. I THINK YOU'VE GOT A  
12 GREAT POINT. AND WE PROBABLY NEED TO RE-VISIT THAT ISSUE. I  
13 HAVE TALKED WITH THE STATE LEADERS THEMSELVES ABOUT COULD WE  
14 MAKE A CHANGE? THEY WERE SAYING IT WAS MORE DIFFICULT. THEY  
15 WEREN'T IN A POSITION TO DO IT. BUT WE PROBABLY NEED TO RE-  
16 VISIT THAT.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I WOULD SAY CONGRESSWOMAN BASS, WHO HELPED  
19 WITH THAT EMANCIPATED YOUTH, THE PRESIDENT'S NO LONGER THERE,  
20 BUT THE BUREAUCRACY THAT CREATED THAT IS STILL IN WASHINGTON.  
21 SHE'S NOW IN WASHINGTON. SHE NOW HAS EXPERIENCE AT THE STATE  
22 LEVEL. SO WE HAVE AN ALLY THERE IF THAT REQUIRES IT. AND THEN  
23 I KNOW A COLLEAGUE WHO HAS A SON IN THE LEGISLATURE WHO MAKES  
24 THIS A PRIORITY. SO WE HAVE CONTACTS IN BOTH REPUBLICAN AND

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1 DEMOCRAT PARTIES ON A POLICY THAT BENEFITS ONE PERSON: THE  
2 VICTIM, THE CHILD, THAT WE COULD GET BIPARTISAN SUPPORT FOR.

3

4 **PHILIP BROWNING:** THAT'S A GREAT POINT. WE'LL GET WITH THE  
5 C.E.O., PUBLIC HEALTH AND WE'LL GET BACK WITH YOUR OFFICE IF  
6 THAT'S ACCEPTABLE.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I THINK YOU SHOULD GET BACK WITH ALL THE  
9 BOARD OFFICES.

10

11 **PHILIP BROWNING:** ALL THE BOARD OFFICES.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH, OBVIOUSLY I STARTED OUT THE YEAR  
14 AS "CHEER FOR A CHALLENGE" AWARD. IT'S OBVIOUS YOU'RE NOT  
15 COMPETING FOR IT BECAUSE YOU GUYS AREN'T TALKING TO EACH  
16 OTHER. THAT'S JUST AN OBSERVATION, OKAY? SO, AGAIN, MY CONCERN  
17 -- AND I OFFERED SOME LANGUAGE CHANGES WHICH THE MAKER OF THE  
18 MOTION DIDN'T AGREE TO AND UNDERSTAND THAT. SO I HAVE ANOTHER  
19 MOTION THAT I'D LIKE TO PUT ON THE TABLE AS IT RELATES TO THIS  
20 IF THERE ARE NO FURTHER QUESTIONS FOR THESE FOLKS. YES, SURE.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** APT THAT'S A REPORT BACK ON WHAT WE WERE JUST  
23 TALKING ABOUT, RIGHT? YEA, I KNOW, REGARDLESS. EXCUSE ME.

24

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1    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I JUST WANTED TO MAKE A COMMENT. I'M AWARE  
2    OF THE MOTION BEING INTRODUCED AND I'M GOING TO SUPPORT IT. WE  
3    DON'T HAVE A LOT OF TEMPLATES FOR HOW TO HANDLE  
4    RECOMMENDATIONS THAT COME IN ON AN INTERIM BASIS FROM A BLUE  
5    RIBBON COMMISSION. WE DIDN'T HAVE INTERIM RECOMMENDATIONS THAT  
6    I RECALL ON THE JAIL VIOLENCE COMMISSION. THEY MADE A SET OF  
7    RECOMMENDATIONS. DURING THE COURSE OF THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS  
8    THE C.E.O. WAS ADVISED IN THEM, WAS INVOLVED WITH THEM, WITH  
9    THE RECOMMENDATIONS FINALLY CAME OUT, THERE WAS KIND OF A  
10   REALITY CHECK, FISCAL ISSUES AND ORGANIZATIONAL ISSUES THAT  
11   FUJIOKA AND HIS STAFF WERE ABLE TO NEGOTIATE WITH THE  
12   SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND OTHER PEOPLE, OTHER ENTITIES IN THE  
13   COUNTY TO MAKE IT FINANCIALLY FEASIBLE. THIS PARTICULAR SET OF  
14   RECOMMENDATIONS, THE 10 THAT THEY HAVE MADE, AND IT'S NOT JUST  
15   THREE, IT'S 10 RECOMMENDATIONS THEY HAVE MADE ON AN INTERIM  
16   BASIS, I THINK THEY SHOULD ALL BE EVALUATED. I'LL EXPLAIN WHY  
17   IN A SECOND. BUT THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS NEED TO BE VETTED IN  
18   THE SAME WAY THAT THE RECOMMENDATIONS, THE 80 OR SOME ODD  
19   RECOMMENDATIONS THE JAIL VIOLENCE COMMISSION MADE. SO WHEN THE  
20   COMMISSION WANTED 150 DEPUTIES IN THE JAIL, IT WAS DETERMINED  
21   THAT 82 WOULD WORK, THAT ENDED UP BEING WHAT THE FINAL PACKAGE  
22   LOOKED LIKE. AND I THINK RIGHT NOW, WHAT'S HAPPENING IS THAT  
23   THERE TENDS TO BE -- THERE'S TENDING TO BE A SERIES OF  
24   RECOMMENDATIONS THAT ARE BEING MADE BY A COMMISSION WHICH IS  
25   VERY SHARP AND THEY KNOW WHAT THEY'RE DOING ON THE POLICY



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1 FRONT FOR THE MOST PART. THERE ARE THINGS THAT ARE FALLING  
2 THROUGH THE CRACKS. AND SOME OF THOSE HAVE BEEN TALKED ABOUT  
3 TODAY AND THEY'LL BE TALKED ABOUT IN THE FUTURE, I'M SURE. BUT  
4 THERE NEEDS TO BE A FISCAL FINANCIAL AS WELL AS POLICY VETTING  
5 OF THIS BEYOND JUST THE COMMISSION BECAUSE I'VE LISTENED TO  
6 THE COMMISSION MEETINGS. I'VE WATCHED THEM. AND IT'S VERY  
7 COLLABORATIVE. AND WHEN SOMEBODY MAKES A RECOMMENDATION TO GO  
8 TO THE MOON, WE GO TO THE MOON. WHEN THEY SAY WE'LL GO TO  
9 MARS, WE'RE ALL GOING TO GO TO MARS. AND THEN YOU FIND OUT  
10 WHAT THE COST IS. SO TWO THINGS I WANTED TO SUGGEST. NUMBER  
11 ONE IS THERE'S GOING TO BE A FINAL REPORT IN APRIL? APRIL  
12 18TH. THIS REPORT, THIS MOTION WAS ASKING THIS COME BACK IN 45  
13 DAYS WHICH I BELIEVE IS TWO WEEKS OR SO BEFORE THE FINAL  
14 REPORT COMES IN. I THINK IT'S VALUABLE FOR US, THE COUNTY  
15 FAMILY, TO START EVALUATING THE INTERIM RECOMMENDATIONS NOW.  
16 THERE'S NO REASON WHY WE SHOULDN'T. THEY'RE OUT THERE. WE  
17 SHOULD LOOK AT IT. BUT WE SHOULDN'T PULL THE TRIGGER ON ANY  
18 IMPLEMENTATION UNTIL WE SEE THE REST OF THE REPORT. BECAUSE  
19 WE'VE GOT TO SEE THE WHOLE PACKAGE. NOT ONLY FROM A FINANCIAL  
20 POINT OF VIEW BUT HOW THE WHOLE PACKAGE WILL WORK TOGETHER,  
21 HOW THE DEPARTMENTS WILL WORK TOGETHER. YOU'VE GOT 80 SOME-ODD  
22 PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES. HE'S GOT 80 SOME-ODD PUBLIC HEALTH  
23 NURSES. I'M TRYING TO FIGURE OUT SINCE YOUR PUBLIC HEALTH  
24 NURSES SPEND ALL, IF NOT MOST OF THEIR TIME, IF NOT ALL OF  
25 THEIR TIME, MOST OF THEIR TIME ON CHILD WELFARE CASES, WHY THE

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1 80 SOME ODD PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES DON'T GET TRANSFERRED INTO  
2 BROWNING'S SHOP TO GIVE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY  
3 SERVICES A LITTLE MORE FLEXIBILITY. IF THEY'RE BOTH DOING THE  
4 SAME THING, BUT BEING IN SEPARATE DEPARTMENTS IS PREVENTING  
5 THEM FROM DOING IT IN THE MOST EFFECTIVE WAY POSSIBLE, MAYBE  
6 THERE'S A WAY -- THAT'S A SMALL EXAMPLE OF SOMETHING THAT  
7 COMES TO MY MIND THAT NEEDS TO BE VETTED. SO I BELIEVE THAT WE  
8 NEED TO EVALUATE ALL OF THESE RECOMMENDATIONS WITHOUT ANY  
9 PREDETERMINATION THAT WE'RE GOING TO IMPLEMENT ANY OF THEM  
10 BECAUSE THE MOTION SAYS TO DO IT WITHIN EXISTING RESOURCES.  
11 BUT I THINK WE'VE HEARD AND COMMON SENSE DICTATES THAT WE'RE  
12 NOT GOING TO BE ABLE TO DO IT WITHIN EXISTING RESOURCES. THESE  
13 THINGS ARE MILLIONS IF NOT TENS OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN  
14 EXPENSE. AND WE NEED TO -- AND WE MAY BE PREPARED TO SPEND IT.  
15 WE WILL CERTAINLY SPEND SOMETHING. SOME SIGNIFICANT SUM. BUT  
16 WE NEED TO KNOW THE WHOLE PICTURE AND HOW IT ALL WORKS  
17 TOGETHER. THE SECOND THING, MR. CHAIRMAN, THAT I WANT TO  
18 MENTION IS I WAS TALKING TO THE VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE  
19 COMMISSION, MY APPOINTEE, LESLIE GILBERT-LURIE OVER THE  
20 WEEKEND ABOUT THIS. SHE MADE A SUGGESTION WHICH I THINK WOULD  
21 BE A VERY GOOD ONE. AND I AM GOING TO THROW IT OUT NOT IN A  
22 WAY OF A MOTION BUT FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION AS A CHAIR. SHE  
23 SUGGESTED WOULD IT BE POSSIBLE FOR THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION  
24 AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO HAVE AT LEAST ONE JOINT  
25 MEETING WHEN THE REPORT IS COMPLETED, THE FINAL REPORT IS

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1 COMPLETED, AND WE'VE GONE THROUGH A VETTING PROCESS, THAT ALL  
2 10 OF US, THANK YOU, WOULD BE -- NO, 10 OF THEM AND FIVE OF  
3 US, ALL 15 OF US WOULD BE ABLE TO SIT AROUND THIS TABLE AND  
4 HAVE SOME GIVE-AND-TAKE. BECAUSE I THINK THERE ARE CERTAIN  
5 THINGS THAT THEY KNOW THAT WE DON'T KNOW. AND THERE ARE  
6 CERTAINLY THINGS THAT WE KNOW THAT THEY DON'T KNOW ABOUT HOW  
7 FAR THE BUDGET'S RUBBER BAND WILL STRETCH. NOT TO MENTION  
8 POLICY ISSUES WHICHEVER MEMBER OF THIS BOARD IS INTIMATELY  
9 INVOLVED IN TO ONE EXTENT OR ANOTHER. SO I WOULD ASK, MR.  
10 CHAIRMAN, IF YOU'D FAVORABLY CONSIDER THAT AT SOME POINT IN  
11 APRIL OR AFTER THEY COME OUT WITH THEIR REPORT.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I THINK IT'S A GREAT IDEA.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I THINK IT WOULD BE VERY HEALTHY.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA FIRST.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** MR. CHAIRMAN, AND MEMBERS, THIS ISSUE -- AND I  
24 WAS GOING TO STAY OUT OF IT. BUT LET ME RAISE IT AT A  
25 DIFFERENT LEVEL. THE BUDGET ISSUE HERE THAT YOU WERE TALKING

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1 ABOUT IS A REALLY CRITICAL COMPONENT OF A SOLUTION. THE  
2 PROBLEM IS THERE'S NOT GOING TO BE A SOLUTION AT HAND. IT IS  
3 SOMETHING WE HAVE BEEN STRUGGLING. IT'S CALLED THE BLENDING OF  
4 FUNDS. YET THIS HAPPENS IN PROBATION. THIS HAPPENS IN ALL OF  
5 CHILDREN SERVICES; AND THAT IS, WE TAKE EXISTING FUNDS, MENTAL  
6 HEALTH FUNDS, JUVENILE JUSTICE FUNDS, DRUG AND REHAB BEDS, WE  
7 DO ALL OF THESE THINGS, WE COBBLE TOGETHER ALL OF THESE  
8 RESOURCES AS A SET OF SERVICES FOR A CHILD, WHETHER THEY'RE IN  
9 PROBATION OR WHETHER THEY'RE IN CHILDREN SERVICES. THE REASON  
10 IS IS BECAUSE THEY'RE ELIGIBLE FOR THESE SERVICES. AND SO  
11 CONSEQUENTLY WE WANT TO CONNECT THEM WITH THOSE SERVICES. THE  
12 PROBLEM IS THAT THE FUNDING SOURCES ARE DIFFERENT  
13 ORGANIZATIONS, FEDERAL, STATE, DEPARTMENTS AND SO ON, WHICH IS  
14 WHY WE CREATED THIS SO-CALLED SERVICES INTEGRATION BRANCH, 352  
15 YEARS AGO THAT IS STILL THE FUNCTION, BECAUSE WE WANT TO SEE  
16 INSTEAD OF THE FUNDS GEARED TOWARD THE CHILD, IT WORKS THE  
17 OTHER WAY AROUND. AND SO THE ACCOUNTABILITY FOR THE DEPARTMENT  
18 IS THAT THEY HAVE TO BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE HOW THEY'RE SPENDING  
19 THEIR MENTAL HEALTH FUNDS, HOW THEY'RE SPENDING THE DRUG AND  
20 ALCOHOL FUNDS, AND THEY HAVE TO BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE AS TO HOW  
21 THEY'RE SPENDING OTHER FUNDS. SO WHEN YOU WANT TO GET A PUBLIC  
22 HEALTH NURSE, YOU WILL FIND THAT THEY QUALIFY UNDER THIS  
23 CRITERIA BECAUSE THEY'RE NOT A WARD OF, THEY'RE OUTSIDE. AND  
24 SO CONSEQUENTLY IT WILL GET PAID BY THOSE FUNDS. SO IT CAN BE  
25 DONE. THE PROBLEM IS THE COMMISSION IS NOT OWNING UP TO SOME

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1 OF THIS RESPONSIBILITY AND TRYING TO DICTATE SOMETHING TO US,  
2 HELLO COMMISSION, BUSY WRITING. AND I THINK THAT'S THE CRUX OF  
3 THE PROBLEM. AND IT ISN'T JUST TELLING US TO DO IT. IT IS  
4 CONFRONTING THE BARRIER TO US HAVING THE ABILITY TO GET IT  
5 DONE. THE REASON IS NOW WHAT WE HAVE TO FIGURE OUT IS HOW DO  
6 WE COORDINATE? THIS IS IN PROBATION RIGHT NOW. IN WORKING WITH  
7 THE MODEL, WE HAVE TO HAVE L.A.C.O.E. AT THE TABLE, CHILDREN  
8 SERVICES AT THE TABLE, THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT AT THE TABLE,  
9 PUBLIC HEALTH AND PROBATION AND WE HAVE TO COLLECTIVELY PLAN  
10 AN AFTER-CARE PLAN FOR A CHILD. AND MENTAL HEALTH WILL NOT  
11 TELL PROBATION WHAT KIND OF TREATMENT THE CHILD WILL GET.  
12 BECAUSE OF PRIVACY ACTIONS, BECAUSE OF FUNDING STREAMS AND  
13 THINGS OF THAT SORT. HEALTH DEPARTMENT CAN'T DIVULGE SOME OF  
14 THE PATIENT PROBLEMS THAT HE MAY HAVE BECAUSE OF H.I.P.A.A.  
15 AND SO CONSEQUENTLY EVERYBODY HAS HIS SOURCE. NOW, THEY CAN  
16 COME TO THE TABLE TOGETHER AND DO SOME PLANNING OR A CAKES  
17 PLAN MODEL, WHICH IS WHAT WE'RE DOING, AND COBBLE TOGETHER ALL  
18 OF THOSE SERVICES LIKE A PRESCRIPTION FOR THIS KID, BUT YOU  
19 CANNOT GIVE PROBATION THE AUTHORITY TO USE MENTAL HEALTH  
20 FUNDS. YOU CAN'T GIVE PROBATION THE AUTHORITY TO DIP IN AND DO  
21 DRUG BEDS. YOU CAN'T GIVE THEM THE AUTHORITY TO GO IN AND  
22 CREATE AN EDUCATION PLAN BEFORE THEY GO. IT'S AMAZING WHAT YOU  
23 CONFRONT WHEN YOU WANT TO HAVE THE SIMPLICITY OF CREATING, AS  
24 MIKE SAYS, WHY CAN'T WE DO IT? WE CAN'T DO IT BECAUSE THESE  
25 FEDERAL, STATE, EVEN PHILANTHROPIC FUNDS ARE ALWAYS CONNECTED

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1 WITH A SERIES OF ACCOUNTABILITY THAT SAYS "YOU WILL USE IT"  
2 AND THE KID HAS TO QUALIFY UNDER THIS AND IT HAS TO BE THIS  
3 SET OF STANDARDS. WHAT THE DEPARTMENTS DO, RIGHTFULLY SO IS  
4 THEY SAY "I THINK WE CAN USE SOME HEALTH FUNDS FOR THAT, SO WE  
5 WILL USE MENTAL HEALTH'S FUNDS FOR THIS. I THINK WE CAN USE  
6 DRUG AND ALCOHOL MONEY FOR THIS." AND THEY COBBLE TOGETHER THE  
7 SERVICES, WHICH IS WHY WE HAVE SO-CALLED WRAP AROUND IN MENTAL  
8 HEALTH BECAUSE IT'S AGAIN A WHOLE SERIES OF ISSUES. THAT IS  
9 THE ONGOING PROBLEM AT EVERY LEVEL OF POINT-OF-SERVICE FOR  
10 THESE CHILDREN, WHETHER THEY ARE PROBATION KIDS, ONCE THEY  
11 BECOME OUR WARDS OR WHETHER THE D.C.F.S. OR ANY OF THOSE  
12 THINGS. THE KEY IS TO CREATE A CASE MANAGEMENT PLAN THAT  
13 BRINGS ACCOUNTABILITY AND A LEAD. THAT DOESN'T MEAN -- I MEAN,  
14 I DISAGREE WITH MENTAL HEALTH. THAT DOES NOT MEAN THAT MENTAL  
15 HEALTH DOES NOT HAVE A DUTY TO THE PROBATION OFFICER AND THE  
16 PROBATION DEPARTMENT TO LET YOU KNOW WHAT KIND OF TREATMENT  
17 THIS KID IS GOING THROUGH. AND I THINK WE CAN FIND A PATHWAY  
18 AND A WAY WITHOUT VIOLATING ANY KIND OF PRIVACY ISSUES. THAT'S  
19 THE COMPLEXITY OF THIS ENTIRE PROGRAM HERE THAT WE HAVE WITH  
20 THE COUNTY. AND SO WHEN WE TALK USING EXISTING FUNDS, THAT'S  
21 THE CATCH WORD. IF WE USE EXISTING FUNDS, THAT MEANS THEY HAVE  
22 TO COBBLE A MECHANISM, A PATHWAY TO GET THOSE FUNDS TO BE  
23 QUALIFIED FOR THOSE KIDS UNDER THOSE CIRCUMSTANCES. SO NOT  
24 EVERY D.C.F.S. KID IS GOING TO BE ENTITLED, ONLY THOSE UNDER  
25 CERTAIN CRITERIA. NOT EVERY PROBATION KID IS UNDER THOSE. IT'S

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1 THE SAME ISSUE. NOW, I THINK THAT, AGAIN, THE SERVICES  
2 INTEGRATION BRANCH SHOULD COME UP WITH IT. THERE COULD BE  
3 CZARS OR OTHERS THAT CONTROL THE FUNDS, BUT IT'S HOW THE  
4 FUNDING IS CONTROLLED IS TO HOW THESE CHILDREN WILL GET THE  
5 SERVICES. AND I REALLY DO THINK, IN MY OPINION, THAT BOTH  
6 CHILDREN SERVICES AS WELL AS PROBATION SHOULD BE -- HAVE AN  
7 ATTITUDE, IN MY OPINION THAT SAYS "SCREW YOU, MENTAL HEALTH,  
8 SCREW YOU PUBLIC HEALTH, THIS IS THE SERVICE TO THE KID AND SO  
9 YOU'RE GOING TO GIVE IT TO THEM," THE END. THAT'S MY POINT OF  
10 VIEW. AND THAT "YOU SHOULD FIX IT ACCORDINGLY." AND I THINK  
11 THAT'S THE CHALLENGE THAT THE CHILDREN'S COMMISSION IS GOING  
12 TO HAVE IN TRYING TO TELL US HOW TO GET ALL OF THESE SERVICES  
13 CONNECTED TO THIS CHILD, IS THAT YOU HAVE TO HAVE A COMMANDING  
14 LEAD AT THE VERY TOP THAT SAYS TO THOSE DEPARTMENTS AND THAT  
15 WE'RE GOING TO BACK YOU ARE GOING TO GET FUNDING INTO THIS  
16 PROGRAM. THAT'S WHAT WE'RE DOING RIGHT NOW UNDER THE AFTER-  
17 CARE PROGRAM. I'VE BEEN CREATING THE PILOT PROGRAM. THAT'S  
18 WHAT WE DID WITH THE FOSTER CARE EDUCATION THING. WE DID THE  
19 SAME THING, A SET OF PROTOCOLS. SO THAT EVERYTHING IS DIRECTED  
20 TOWARD THE CHILD. AND THE ACCOUNTABILITY IS THAT THERE IS A  
21 POINT PERSON, A CASE MANAGER FOR THAT KID THAT IS MAKING SURE  
22 ALL THOSE SERVICES ARE THERE. IT IS MENTAL HEALTH'S PROBLEM AS  
23 TO HOW THEY WILL REPORT. THEY QUALIFIED UNDER THIS. WE NEED  
24 THOSE FUND AND WE NEED TO MAKE SURE IT MEETS THOSE CRITERIA.  
25 BUT THIS IS A COMPLEXITY MARK. AND DOING THIS RIGHT NOW -- AND



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1 I DON'T THINK THE CHILDREN'S SERVICES DEPARTMENT THINKS THEY  
2 CAN TELL US OR THE COMMISSION CAN TELL US HOW TO DO IT.  
3 BECAUSE THEY JUST HIT ON THE LARGEST PROBLEM THIS COUNTY AND  
4 EVERY COUNTY HAS BY THESE STREAMS OF FUNDING. THESE DEPARTMENT  
5 HEADS WILL TELL YOU THAT IS WHAT THEY HAVE TO GO BACK TO AND  
6 TRY AND SORT OUT. SO WE CAN SAY IT ALL WE WANT. BUT UNTIL WE  
7 HAVE A COMMANDER THAT IS GOING TO FORCE THOSE DEPARTMENTS TO  
8 DO IT, WE HAVE IT UNDER COURT ORDER UNDER K.D.A. WE ARE DOING  
9 IT UNDER THE FOSTER CARE PROGRAM, UNDER THE PILOT PROGRAM. WE  
10 ARE STARTING TO DO IT WITH THE AFTER-CARE PROGRAM HOPEFULLY  
11 D.O.J. WILL BACK US UP ON IT. SO THAT IS THE COMPLEXITY OF  
12 THIS ISSUE. SO WHEN YOU SAY "UNDER EXISTING FUNDS" YOU'VE  
13 THROWN A REAL WRENCH WHO THE WHOLE PROBLEM AND IT WILL BLOW UP  
14 ON YOU UNTIL THAT'S SOLVED. SO HOWEVER THE RECOMMENDATIONS ARE  
15 GOING TO COME FROM, WE HAVE TO BE COMPREHENSIVE IN OUR  
16 APPROACH. WE HAVE TO MAKE SURE THAT WAS WE'RE GOING TO DO THAT  
17 WE ARE GOING TO LOOK AT THE FUNDING AND THERE SHOULD BE A  
18 COMMANDING PERSON THAT SAYS WE DON'T CARE, MENTAL HEALTH, WE  
19 DON'T CARE PUBLIC HEALTH, WE DON'T CARE, PROBATION. THIS IS  
20 THE SERVICES THIS KID IS GETTING AND THEY NEED THEM NOW IN  
21 ORDER TO CREATE THE FIX. AND IT SHOULD BE SOMETHING THAT THE  
22 SERVICES INTEGRATION BRANCH SHOULD BE IN COMMAND OF. BUT WE  
23 DON'T GIVE IT THAT AUTHORITY TO DO SO. BUT THAT'S THE ISSUE  
24 YOU'RE WRESTLING WITH RIGHT NOW.

25

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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I AGREE. WE ARE ALL SORT OF COMING IN  
2    FROM A DIFFERENT ANGLE BUT AT THE END OF THE DAY THAT'S THE  
3    COMPREHENSIVE ANGLE WE NEED TO DO BECAUSE OF THE CONTROL OVER  
4    THE VARIOUS FUNDING CYCLES. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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6    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN AND COLLEAGUES. I  
7    THINK THIS FOCUSES OUR ATTENTION ON A MATTER THAT OUGHT TO BE  
8    OUR PRIORITY. I RESTATE THAT IT CAN AND SHOULD BE VIEWED AS  
9    URGENT WITHOUT US RUSHING TO JUDGMENT. I TAKE THE POINT THAT A  
10   PRELIMINARY REPORT SENDS A SIGNAL AS TO THE DIRECTION THAT THE  
11   BOARD MIGHT GO PURSUANT TO THE DELIBERATIONS OF THE  
12   COMMISSION. THERE ARE FOUR INSTRUCTIONS IN THE MOTION THAT IS  
13   BEFORE US, THE FIRST OF WHICH IS TO INSTRUCT THE RESPECTIVE  
14   DEPARTMENTS -- AND THAT WOULD BE CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES,  
15   MENTAL HEALTH, PUBLIC HEALTH AND HEALTH SERVICES WITH THE  
16   ASSISTANCE OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER. TO ESTABLISH THE  
17   APPROPRIATE PROTOCOLS WITHIN EXISTING RESOURCES CONSISTENT  
18   WITH THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATION THAT EVERY  
19   CHILD UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE BE DETAINED BY D.C.F.S. BE  
20   PRESCREENED. THAT'S THE FIRST ONE. IT SEEMS THAT THERE ARE  
21   BUDGETARY CONSIDERATIONS THAT NEED TO BE RE-VISITED AT THAT  
22   POINT. THE SECOND IS TO INSTRUCT THE DIRECTORS OF D.P.H. AND  
23   D.H.S. AND D.C.F.S., WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF THE C.E.O. WITHIN  
24   EACH DEPARTMENT'S CURRENT RESOURCES TO COLLABORATE AND DEVELOP  
25   A PROTOCOL TO ENSURE THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION'S

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1 RECOMMENDATION THAT PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES AND EMERGENCY  
2 SERVICES WORKERS TOGETHER INVESTIGATE IN A REFERRAL OR ABUSE  
3 OR NEGLECT ON A CHILD UNDER AGE ONE AND THAT THAT BE  
4 IMPLEMENTED. THAT AGAIN SEEMS TO BE THE THRUST OF THE CONCERN  
5 REGARDING THE INSTRUCTIONS OF THOSE TWO ACTIONS. AND SO I  
6 UNDERSTAND THE MOTION THAT IS BEING OFFERED BY YOU, MR.  
7 CHAIRMAN AND MR. YAROSLAVSKY TO LOOK AT THOSE MORE CAREFULLY.  
8 WITH RESPECT TO ITEMS 3 AND 4, I SEE NO FISCAL IMPLICATION  
9 ISSUES THERE. AND IT WOULD SEEM TO ME THAT IT WOULD BE  
10 APPROPRIATE TO REQUEST THAT THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY WHO WHO HAS  
11 ALREADY INDICATED THAT SHE IS READY TO WORK WITH US WITH  
12 REGARD TO THE APPROPRIATE ROLE THAT THAT OFFICE CAN AND SHOULD  
13 PLAY PURSUANT TO THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMISSION. AND,  
14 FOUR, THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO PARTICIPATE WITH PROBATION  
15 AND D.C.F.S. TO BEGIN TO ADDRESS THE COORDINATION ISSUES AND  
16 THE COLLOCATION ISSUES SO THAT CHILD SAFETY AND PROTECTION IS  
17 A HIGHER PRIORITY PURSUANT TO COORDINATION OF LAW ENFORCEMENT  
18 ENTITIES. MR. CHAIRMAN, I UNDERSTAND THAT 1 AND 2 REQUIRE  
19 FURTHER FISCAL ANALYSIS AND MAYBE MORE CONSISTENT WITH THE  
20 KNABE/YAROSLAVSKY MOTION. I WOULD HOPE THAT 3 AND 4 WE COULD  
21 ADOPT, REQUEST THAT THE RESPECTIVE LAW ENFORCEMENT ENTITIES,  
22 BOTH THE D.A. AND THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT MOVE FORWARD WITH  
23 THEIR WAY OF SUPPORTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS AS THEY ALREADY  
24 INDICATED THEY'D BE INCLINED TO DO. SO THERE IS A BIFURCATION  
25 THAT I WISH TO SUGGEST, TAKE 1 AND 2 OF THE MOTION, CAUSE THAT

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1 TO BE THE THRUST OF THE MOTION OFFERED BY KNABE AND  
2 YAROSLAVSKY. AND WITH RESPECT TO THE SHERIFF AND THE D.A., I  
3 ASK THAT THEY -- RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THAT THEY PROCEED  
4 ACCORDINGLY. AND THAT WOULD BE MY MOTION.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. I HAVE NO PROBLEM MOVING FORWARD  
7 WITH ITEM NUMBER 3. ITEM NUMBER 4, I HAVE NO PROBLEM WITH,  
8 EITHER, BECAUSE THEY'RE ALREADY DOING THAT. THAT'S IN PROGRESS  
9 RIGHT NOW. SO I HAVE NO PROBLEM MOVING FORWARD WITH 3 AND 4.

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** BUT 1 AND 2.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** BUT 1 AND 2, I WOULD LIKE TO ENTER --

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND I WOULD ADD TO ALL THE REMAINDER OF THE  
16 10 RECOMMENDATIONS THEY MADE I THINK IS WHAT YOUR MOTION AND I  
17 SECOND IT.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** RIGHT. 3 AND 4 AS IT RELATES TO THE  
20 DISTRICT ATTORNEY AND SHERIFF MOVE FORWARD. THE OTHER 8 WOULD  
21 BE THE MOTION FROM SUPERVISOR -- FROM ME AND FROM SUPERVISOR  
22 YAROSLAVSKY THAT WOULD ASK THE -- MOVE THAT THE C.E.O WITH THE  
23 COOPERATION OF THE RELEVANT COUNTY DEPARTMENTS AND OFFICE OF  
24 COUNTY COUNSEL BE DIRECTED TO CONDUCT A FEASIBILITY, FISCAL  
25 ANALYSIS OF 8 REMAINING RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED IN THE BLUE

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1 RIBBON COMMISSION INTERIM REPORT AND REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD  
2 IN 60 DAYS OR IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE FINAL REPORT.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND I WOULD ADD, AND I'LL SECOND THAT. MR.  
5 CHAIRMAN ON ITEM 3, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS'S MOTION, I WOULD  
6 ADD IN THE SECOND LINE WHERE IT SAYS "THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
7 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES," I  
8 WOULD SAY "AND ALL 48 LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES." WE WANT THEM  
9 ALL.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S GOOD, YEAH, WE WANT THEM ALL,  
12 EXACTLY. SO WITH THOSE CLARIFICATIONS, WE HAVE THAT MOTION ON  
13 THE TABLE. I DO HAVE ONE REMAINING PUBLIC SPEAKER, AND THAT IS  
14 STEPHON BECKAM? I DON'T HAVE IT. SORRY. YOU ADDRESSED EARLIER,  
15 I BELIEVE. I THINK YOU ADDRESSED IT EARLIER.

16

17 **STEPHON BECKAM:** HOW ARE YOU DOING THIS MORNING? ALL OF A  
18 SUDDEN, CAN I SPEAK THERE?

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YES. IDENTIFY YOURSELF.

21

22 **STEPHON BECKAM:** I WAS SITTING THERE LISTENING TO THEM SPEAK, I  
23 HAVE DEALT WITH THE D.C., WHATEVER YOU CALL IT OUT HERE, I  
24 HAVE DEALT WITH THEM. THEY HAVE CAME TO MY HOME. THEY HAVE HAD  
25 CASEWORKERS. TAKE ALL MY KIDS. MAKE THEM GET NAKED. LOOK AT

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1 THEM. YES, I'M OPPOSED TO THEM ASKING FOR NURSES TO COME, NOT  
2 BECAUSE IT'S PEOPLE OUT HERE, IT'S KIDS BEING ABUSED. BUT WHEN  
3 YOU DON'T HAVE NO REAL GROUNDS TO COME INTO SOMEBODY'S HOME.  
4 THAT'S LIKE ME COMING UP HERE TELLING YOU "LET ME GO INTO YOUR  
5 FILES BECAUSE I KNOW A LOT OF THESE DIRECTORS AIN'T DOING WHAT  
6 THEY'RE SUPPOSED TO BE DOING." AND YOU COMING INTO PEOPLE'S  
7 HOMES AND YOU EXPOSING MY KIDS AND THEN THEY SAY THEY GOT ALL  
8 THESE SERVICES FOR MY KIDS, THEY HAVE HARMED MY KIDS. MY KIDS  
9 HAVE NIGHTMARES. MY KIDS HAVE PROBLEMS BECAUSE OF THIS. AND  
10 THEY WANT TO ASK FOR SOME MONEY? YOU KNOW, THEY NEED TO DO A  
11 GREAT STUDY ON THE PEOPLE THAT'S DOING THIS, THAT'S GOING TO  
12 PEOPLE'S HOMES, THAT'S GOING INSIDE HOUSES AND ASKING FOR KIDS  
13 TO GET NAKED FOR NO REASON BECAUSE THE WELFARE OFFICE HAD  
14 CALLED THEM AND TOLD THEM TO COME TO SOMEBODY'S HOME. THAT'S  
15 ALL I HAVE TO SPEAK ON THAT. AND ABOUT THE SERVICES, WHAT  
16 ABOUT KIDS BEING EXPOSED TO THE D.C.F.S.? WHAT ABOUT THE  
17 SERVICE FOR THEM KIDS? WHEN NOBODY HAS DONE ANYTHING WRONG?  
18 WHAT ABOUT THEM KIDS GETTING SOME SERVICES? THAT'S ALL I HAVE  
19 TO SAY.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NO QUESTIONS. ALL RIGHT. THE  
22 ITEM IS BEFORE US AS AMENDED. PARDON ME? YOU ADDRESSED IT  
23 EARLIER. I'LL GIVE YOU A MINUTE ON THIS ITEM.

24

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1   **ERIC PREVEN:** ERIC PREVEN THE COUNTY RESIDENT FROM DISTRICT 3.  
2   YOU KNOW, THIS IS A VERY, VERY IMPORTANT ISSUE. AND THE WAY  
3   THE SUPERVISORS CREPT UP TO THE EDGE AND FACED THIS HAD KIND  
4   OF OBSTACLE THAT I THINK WE HEARD ELOQUENTLY DESCRIBED BY THE  
5   SUPERVISORS, HOW FUNDING SOURCES MAKE GETTING THE RIGHT PUBLIC  
6   HEALTH TEAM AND D.C.F.S. TEAM TO COLLABORATE AND HOW THOSE  
7   FUNDING SOURCES MAKE IT DIFFICULT REQUIRES THE DISENTANGLING  
8   BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I THINK IT'S VERY GOOD THAT YOU  
9   SELECTED A MEETING. I THINK FEBRUARY 21 AT 1:30 IN THIS VERY  
10  ROOM WOULD BE A MEETING WHEN THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION IS  
11  ALREADY MEETING AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COULD CERTAINLY  
12  COME DOWN HERE. BUT THIS KIND OF 45-DAY GET BACK TO US ON THE  
13  INTERIM RECOMMENDATIONS IS EXACTLY WHAT WE NEED TO BE DOING.  
14  WE NEED TO HIT THE GROUND RUNNING. WE ALREADY HAVE, AS MEMBERS  
15  OF THIS BOARD REMINDED US, 800 RECOMMENDATIONS. WE'RE FOCUSING  
16  ON THE CORE IMPORTANT RECOMMENDATIONS THAT ARE GOING TO MAKE A  
17  DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF THESE CHILDREN. PUBLIC HEALTH  
18  SHOULD ABSOLUTELY BE A PARTICIPANT HERE, AND ANYTHING BLOCKING  
19  THEM FROM PARTICIPATING CURRENTLY NEEDS TO BE TAKEN DOWN  
20  IMMEDIATELY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

21

22  **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-  
23  THOMAS. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY WITH THE  
24  APPROPRIATE AMENDMENTS AND CLARIFICATIONS. WITHOUT OBJECTION,



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1 SO BE THE ORDER. THANK YOU. LET'S SEE, I'M UP ON -- WHAT ARE  
2 THE REMAINING ITEMS?

3

4 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THE REMAINING ITEMS ARE ITEM  
5 NUMBER 19 AND THEN WE COULD TAKE UP EITHER S-1 AND/OR S-2.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WHAT TYPE IS S-1?

8

9 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** S-1 WAS AT 11.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** LET ME SEE WHAT WE HAVE ON NUMBER 19. DO  
12 WE HAVE ANY PUBLIC SPEAKERS ON 19?

13

14 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** NO. NOTHING ON 19. I BELIEVE  
15 SUPERVISOR MOLINA WAS HOLDING NUMBER 19.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA, YOU WERE HOLDING ITEM  
18 NUMBER 19 BEFORE WE GO TO S-1?

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA:** (OFF MIC) ISSUE.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MR. FIELDING?

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** WHICH ITEM IS THIS?

25

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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NINETEEN.

2

3    **SUP. MOLINA:** NINETEEN, TALK ABOUT FUNDING PROBLEMS, I THINK  
4    DR. FIELDING WILL SHARE WITH US HOW HE'S GOING TO FIX HIS  
5    FUNDING PROBLEM HERE, RIGHT?

6

7    **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** SORRY, SUPERVISOR, ARE YOU TALKING  
8    ABOUT THIS PARTICULAR CONTRACT?

9

10   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NUMBER 19.

11

12   **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** YES, SUPERVISOR, I KNOW THAT THERE WAS  
13   A CONCERN ABOUT WHETHER WE WERE GOING TO SIMPLY HAND OVER  
14   MONEY AND IT COULD BE ROLLED OVER.

15

16   **SUP. MOLINA:** WHICH IS WHAT YOU WERE DOING.

17

18   **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** NO. WE'RE NOT GOING TO ROLL THE MONEY  
19   OVER. WE'RE GOING TO LOOK FOR THE NEXT COUPLE OF YEARS AT WHAT  
20   NEEDS TO BE DONE IN TERMS OF THE RENEWAL OF THESE CONTRACTS  
21   AND BRING THOSE BACK TO THE BOARD. THEY WILL NOT BE ABLE TO  
22   CONTINUE PAST THE TERMINATION.

23

24   **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT THE ISSUE IS YOU HAD SOME LEFTOVER MONEY AND  
25   IT WAS GOING TO BE SENT OVER TO THE AGENCY WITHOUT ANY

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1 ACCOUNTABILITY, WHICH BOTHERS ME. I THINK THEY'RE ENTITLED TO  
2 THE SERVICES. THEY SHOULD BE GETTING THE SERVICES. BUT I CAN'T  
3 DO ANYTHING ABOUT THE FACT THAT YOU GUYS SCREWED UP SO NOW  
4 YOU'RE GOING TO GIVE THEM A LUMP SUM OF MONEY.

5

6 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** WE'RE ONLY GOING TO BE PAYING,  
7 SUPERVISOR, BASED ON INVOICE OF SPECIFIC ACTIVITIES THAT ARE  
8 WITHIN THE CONTRACT. WE ARE NOT GOING TO BE GIVING THEM A LUMP  
9 SUM OF MONEY.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA:** OKAY. BUT THE ISSUE IS THAT THAT ALLOCATION  
12 COULDN'T POSSIBLY BE SPENT.

13

14 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** YOU'RE RIGHT, SUPERVISOR.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO YOU WERE JUST ALLOCATING WITHOUT THAT  
17 CLARIFICATION.

18

19 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** WHAT HAPPENED WAS WE EXPECTED THIS  
20 WOULD COME MUCH SOONER. WE PROBABLY SHOULD HAVE REDUCED THE  
21 ALLOCATION. BUT THEY'RE NOT GOING TO GET TO KEEP ANY MONEY AND  
22 THEY'RE NOT GETTING THE MONEY UNLESS THEY SHOW THAT THEY HAVE,  
23 IN FACT, BEEN WARRANTED TO RECEIVE THAT MONEY BASED UPON  
24 SPECIFIC ACTIVITIES THEY'VE UNDERTAKEN AT AN AGREED UPON  
25 HOURLY RATE.

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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** WHICH IS WHAT IT SHOULD BE. BUT I REALLY ALSO  
3 THINK THAT IT'S UNFORTUNATE BECAUSE THIS IS A COMMUNITY THAT  
4 DESERVED THOSE DOLLARS AND THAT PROGRAMMING AND WASN'T GETTING  
5 IT BECAUSE OF A FINANCIAL SCREW UP ON OUR PART.

6

7 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** WELL IT'S NOT ENTIRELY A FINANCIAL  
8 SCREW UP. WE SHOULD HAVE BROUGHT THIS SOONER, I AGREE WITH  
9 YOU, SUPERVISOR.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU.

12

13 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** BUT WHAT HAPPENED WAS THERE WAS ALREADY  
14 A CONTRACTOR FOR THIS AREA.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA:** I UNDERSTAND THAT. BUT WHEN THAT CONTRACT ENDED,  
17 WHICH WAS QUITE A WHILE AGO, I THINK IT IS OUR RESPONSIBILITY  
18 AND DUTY TO MAKE SURE THOSE SERVICES ARE ONGOING IN A  
19 COMMUNITY AND TO FIND A CONTRACTOR WHO CAN CARRY OUT THAT  
20 WORK. THAT'S THE ISSUE. THE FACT IT WAS SITTING AROUND AND  
21 THOSE SERVICES WEREN'T GOING ON, AND THERE WAS ABLE  
22 CONTRACTORS OUT THERE THAT COULD HAVE CARRIED ON THIS WORK IS  
23 THE PROBLEM I HAVE.

24

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1 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** I AGREE IT SHOULD HAVE BEEN BROUGHT TO  
2 THIS BOARD SOONER.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO WE'RE NOT GOING TO DO THAT AGAIN, RIGHT?

5

6 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** NO. WE'RE GOING TO BRING THE WHOLE  
7 PREVENTION PORTFOLIO FORWARD TO THE BOARD IN MAY.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA:** I THINK THAT IF IT HAD NOT BEEN CLARIFIED IT  
10 LOOKED LIKE WE WERE GIVING THEM A LUMP SUM OF MONEY, OH, WE  
11 SCREWED UP, HERE'S WHAT'S LEFT OVER, GOOD LUCK IN SPENDING IT  
12 BETWEEN NOW AND JUNE.

13

14 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** NO, IT'S NOT CORRECT. IF WE GAVE THAT  
15 IMPRESSION, IT'S THE WRONG IMPRESSION.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. THOSE WERE MY QUESTIONS.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BY MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. DO  
20 YOU HAVE ANY ADJOURNMENTS? LET ME FIRST STATE THAT THIS IS  
21 GOING TO BE THE LAST WEEK THAT JAY LENO'S ON TELEVISION. WE'RE  
22 GOING TO HAVE HIM DOWN HERE TO RECOGNIZE HIM FOR HIS  
23 CONTRIBUTIONS TO NOT JUST ENTERTAINMENT BUT TO THE COMMUNITY  
24 AND HIS ABILITY TO REACH OUT AND BE INVOLVED WITH CHARITABLE  
25 ORGANIZATIONS, ET CETERA, ET CETERA. HE'S A REAL ROLE MODEL.

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1 BUT THE ECONOMIC IMPACT, WE'RE GOING TO LOSE 150 JOBS WITH THE  
2 LOSING OF THE JAY LENO'S TONIGHT SHOW, 150 JOBS. AND IN THIS  
3 PAST DECADE, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA HAS LOST 3 BILLION DOLLARS IN  
4 FILM AND TELEVISION CREW'S WAGES WHICH HAVE BEEN SLIPPING AWAY  
5 FROM SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA TO NEW YORK AND OTHER STATES. THAT'S  
6 THE PAST 10 YEARS. EACH DAY WE RECEIVE A NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES  
7 WHO ARE BEING NOTIFIED THAT THEY'RE BEING TERMINATED BY THEIR  
8 EMPLOYER, MANY OF THESE ARE RELOCATING TO OTHER STATES BECAUSE  
9 WE ARE NOT CREATING THE ENVIRONMENT TO CREATE THE JOBS  
10 NECESSARY FROM OUR TV AND FILM INDUSTRY TO THRIVE, OUR  
11 AEROSPACE INDUSTRY TO THRIVE FOR THE SMALL BUSINESSES TO  
12 THRIVE, AND UNLESS WE TURN THAT CORNER TO BE JOB FRIENDLY,  
13 BUSINESS FRIENDLY, WE'RE GOING TO HAVE MORE OF THESE  
14 DEPARTURES TO OTHER STATES. AND WE ARE A STATE WITH OVER A 358  
15 BILLION DOLLAR UNFUNDED LIABILITY. WE HAVE A SERIOUS PROBLEM  
16 THAT'S GOING TO IMPACT PUBLIC SAFETY, SOCIAL SERVICES AND  
17 EVERY ASPECT OF OUR COMMUNITIES FACED BY THE UNINCORPORATED  
18 COMMUNITIES, THE COUNTIES AND THE CITIES IN THIS GREAT STATE.  
19 LET ME MOVE FOR THE ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS, A VERY DEAR FRIEND, A  
20 VERY CLOSE FRIEND WHOSE WIFE SERVED AS ONE OF MY COMMISSIONERS  
21 ON THE MUSIC ENTERTAINMENT, I SHOULD SAY, THE MUSIC CENTER,  
22 SAVAS JERRY STATHATOS PASSED AWAY HE WAS A LONG- TIME RESIDENT  
23 OF SAN MARINO. JERRY STATHATOS WAS A MEMBER OF THE ST. SOPHIA  
24 GREEK ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL, FOUNDING SUPPORTER OF THE PATRIARCH  
25 ATHENAGOROS ORTHODOX INSTITUTE AND SURVIVED BY HIS BROTHER,

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1 THREE CHILDREN, SIX GRANDCHILDREN AND HIS WIFE OF 63 YEARS.  
2 ALSO OMA LEE JOHNSTON PASSED AWAY ON JANUARY 21ST. SHE WAS  
3 SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND OF 64 YEARS, DR. WILLIAM JOHNSTON WHO  
4 WAS SUPERINTENDENT OF THE LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
5 FOR MANY, MANY YEARS. HER SON MICHAEL AND DAUGHTER KATHLEEN  
6 SHE LEAVES BEHIND. LONNIE CARR, BONITA HIGH SCHOOL CROSS  
7 COUNTRY COACH PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 60. HE IS SURVIVED BY  
8 HIS WIFE AND THREE CHILDREN AND FIVE GRANDCHILDREN. ATIKDA  
9 "TILLY" MURABITO LONGTIME RESIDENT OF GLENDORA, MOTHER OF  
10 GLENDORA CITY COUNCILMEMBER, COUNCILMAN GENE ROBERTO PASSED  
11 AWAY AT THE AGE OF 92. SHE OPERATED THE BEAUTY SALON IN  
12 GLENDORA FOR MANY YEARS BEFORE RETIRING IN 1985, AND SHE AND  
13 HER HUSBAND WERE DEVOUT MEMBERS OF THE ST. DOROTHY'S ROMAN  
14 CATHOLIC CHURCH FOR OVER 55 YEARS AND WERE QUITE INVOLVED IN  
15 THE BUILDING OF THAT PARISH. JOHN "PAPA" MALONEY PASSED AWAY  
16 AT THE AGE OF 91. HE HAD MOVED HIS MEAT MARKET TO SOUTH GATE  
17 IN 1983, BECAME A NEIGHBORHOOD TREASURE DEVOTING HIS TIME,  
18 MONEY AND TRUCKLOADS OF ROSE BUSHES TO THE LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL.  
19 AND HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE AND HIS FAMILY. MARGURITE ALLEN  
20 MORROW, LONG- TIME RESIDENT OF SAN GABRIEL, PASSED AWAY AT THE  
21 AGE OF 92. SHE WAS A MEMBER DURING WORLD WAR II AS A MEMBER OF  
22 THE RED CROSS AND STATIONED THROUGHOUT THE PACIFIC THEATER.  
23 AFTER THE WAR, SHE AND HER HUSBAND GEORGE WORKED IN THE  
24 FAMILY, OPERATED A YELLOW CAB COMPANY. AND SHE IS SURVIVED BY  
25 HER DAUGHTER AND GRANDSON AND SISTER. HILDA ADELINE CUSSON



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1 PASSED AWAY ON JANUARY 21ST AT THE AGE OF 89. GRADUATE OF  
2 NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY NURSING SCHOOL. SHE WORKED AT THE SAN  
3 GABRIEL COMMUNITY HEALTH AND THE VA HOSPITAL OF SANTA MONICA.  
4 DR. RALPH RANDOLPH HOLMES, LONG- TIME RESIDENT OF LANCASTER,  
5 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 88. HE WAS A SURGEON AT ANTELOPE  
6 VALLEY HOSPITAL WHERE HE SERVED SEVERAL TERMS AS CHIEF OF  
7 STAFF. AFTER 24 YEARS ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. HE WAS ALSO A  
8 PARTICIPANT IN ROTARY CLUB FROM 1958 UNTIL HIS PASSING.  
9 IRMGARD "EMMY" ARMBRUSTER LONGTIME RESIDENT OF SANTA CLARITA  
10 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 75. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER TWO  
11 CHILDREN, TOM AND AND ANGIE. ROSY MATUZ, LONGTIME RESIDENT OF  
12 SANTA CLARITA, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 95. SHE IS SURVIVED  
13 BY HER DAUGHTERS. DAVID STONE, WHO IS A RETIRED DEPUTY, LOS  
14 ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT FOR 26 YEARS AND HAROLD  
15 HOUGH, RETIRED SERGEANT AT L.A. COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT  
16 PASSED AWAY ON JANUARY 13TH. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS, MR.  
17 CHAIRMAN.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED. WE WILL FINISH ADJOURNMENTS  
20 BEFORE WE GO TO SET ITEMS, SUPERVISOR MOLINA, DO YOU HAVE ANY  
21 ADJOURNMENTS?

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** YES I DO. MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS I HAVE AN  
24 ADJOURNMENT. I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN KYLE FURUYA  
25 WHO TRAGICALLY PASSED AWAY. KYLE WAS BELOVED SON OF LONGTIME

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1 ROYBAL HEALTH CENTER DIRECTOR HARRY FURUYA WHO IS ONE OF THE  
2 COUNTY'S MOST RESPECTED HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS. EACH AND  
3 EVERY DAY WE RELY ON HARRY'S EXPERTISE AND WISDOM AS WE WORK  
4 TOGETHER ON BEHALF OF OUR CONSTITUENTS. SO IF YOU'D JOIN ME IN  
5 KEEPING HARRY IN YOUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS IN THIS ENORMOUSLY  
6 DIFFICULT TIME.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ARE THOSE YOUR ADJOURNMENTS? SO ORDERED.  
9 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIRMAN, PLEASE PERMIT ME TO ADJOURN  
12 IN MEMORY OF ETTA SEEMSTER MCMAHON BORN MARCH 4, 1936 IN  
13 MENDONE, LOUISIANA AND PASSED ON JANUARY THE 26TH AT THE AGE  
14 OF 77. SHE GRADUATED FROM WEBSTER HIGH SCHOOL IN LOUISIANA AND  
15 RECEIVED A BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE IN PHYSICAL EDUCATION AT  
16 GRAMLIN STATE UNIVERSITY. SHE ALSO OBTAINED A MASTER'S DEGREE  
17 IN EDUCATION FROM PEPPERDINE UNIVERSITY HERE IN MALIBU. MS.  
18 MCMAHON SERVED AS A TEACHER FOR SOME 32 YEARS WITH THE LOS  
19 ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AT SEVERAL HIGH SCHOOLS  
20 INCLUDING JEFFERSON HIGH, WHERE SHE WAS APPOINTED PRINCIPAL IN  
21 1993. SHE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HER DEVOTION TO HER STUDENTS  
22 AND HER COLLEAGUES, CHURCH MEMBERS AND THOSE SHE SERVED WITH  
23 ON THE COUNCIL OF BLACK ADMINISTRATORS, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS  
24 COBAM, INTER-CHANGE FOR COMMUNITY ACTION AND ZETA PHI BETA  
25 SORORITY INC. FINALLY THE INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS

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1 FOUNDATION. SHE WAS AN ACTIVE MEMBER IN ALL OF THE ABOVE  
2 STATED ORGANIZATIONS. SHE IS SURVIVED BY A HOST OF FAMILY AND  
3 FRIENDS WHO INDEED WILL MISS HER DEARLY. THANK YOU, MR.  
4 CHAIRMAN.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SO ORDERED. SUPERVISOR  
7 YAROSLAVSKY?

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YES, MR. CHAIRMAN. I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT WE  
10 ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY, ALL MEMBERS, IN THE MEMORY OF JOAN  
11 MONDALE, WIFE OF FORMER VICE PRESIDENT WALTER MONDALE. JOAN  
12 PASSED AWAY THIS WEEK AT THE AGE OF 83. KNOWN FOR HER  
13 DEDICATION OF THE ARTS AND PROMOTING EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR  
14 WOMEN, SHE WAS ALSO A TIRELESS CAMPAIGNER AND DEVOTED MOTHER  
15 TO THEIR THREE CHILDREN AS WELL AS THE AUTHOR OF THREE BOOKS.  
16 SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, WALTER MONDALE AND TWO SONS,  
17 TED AND WILLIAM. THEIR DAUGHTER ELEANOR PREDECEASED HER IN  
18 2011. ALSO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF JIMMY MURPHY,  
19 LONG- TIME RESIDENT OF BEVERLY HILLS AND RESTAURANTEUR, KNOWN  
20 FOR HIS "JIMMY'S" RESTAURANT, ONE OF L.A.'S LEGENDARY DINING  
21 HOT SPOTS WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY AFTER A THREE-YEAR BATTLE  
22 WITH PANCREATIC CANCER. HE WAS FROM IRELAND AND THE SAINT  
23 PATRICK'S DAY CELEBRATIONS WERE WORLD FAMOUS. BEFORE FOUNDING  
24 HIS OWN RESTAURANT HE WORKED AT OTHER LOCAL ESTABLISHMENTS IN  
25 BEVERLY HILLS INCLUDING BELLA FONTANA AT THE BEVERLY WILSHIRE

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1 HOTEL AND AT THE BISTRO. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS SON SEAN,  
2 CARRYING ON THE FAMILY TRADITION WITH HIS OWN CATERING  
3 BUSINESS AND OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS, MANY FRIENDS AND A LOT OF  
4 FORMER CUSTOMERS INCLUDING MYSELF AMONG THEM. HE WAS A  
5 WONDERFUL, WONDERFUL HUMAN BEING AND WAS VERY GENEROUS TO THE  
6 COMMUNITY HE DID BUSINESS IN. AND HE WILL BE MISSED. LAST IS  
7 I'D LIKE TO ADJOURN, ASK THE BOARD TO ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF  
8 RUTH PALMER WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 94. RUTH IS  
9 SURVIVED BY TWO DAUGHTERS, JOYCE AND DENISE WHO IS A HIGH  
10 SCHOOL CLASSMATE OF MINE. ALSO SURVIVED BY FIVE GRANDCHILDREN  
11 AND TWO GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. SHE'LL BE REMEMBERED AS A GENTLE  
12 SOUL WHO WAS ALWAYS KIND, SELFLESS AND CHERISHED HER FRIENDS  
13 AND ESPECIALLY HER FAMILY. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNING MOTIONS.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED. I HAVE A COUPLE OF  
16 ADJOURNMENTS, AS WELL. FIRST OF ALL, THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY  
17 OF R.D. BORDERS PASSED AWAY LAST WEEK. HE WAS A CONSULTANT  
18 WITH KAL KRISHNAN CONSULTING SERVICES. MORE IMPORTANTLY, HE  
19 WAS A CONSULTING PROJECT MANAGER OF THE TERMINAL AVENUE STORM  
20 DRAIN PROJECT IN LONG BEACH WHICH LASTED A CONSIDERABLE TIME  
21 BUT WAS DONE ON TIME AND UNDER BUDGET. HE HAD AN INCREDIBLE  
22 WAY OF WORKING WITH THE NEIGHBORHOODS AND RESPONDING TO THEIR  
23 NEEDS AND CONCERNS. FUN GUY TO BE AROUND BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY  
24 JUST DID HIS JOB IN A VERY PROFESSIONAL, PROFESSIONAL MANNER.  
25 SO HE WILL BE MISSED BY HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS. AND ALSO THAT

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1 WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ANOTHER GOOD FRIEND, JOHN MARKULIS, A  
2 RESIDENT OF RANCHO PALOS VERDES WHO PASSED AWAY FEBRUARY 2ND  
3 AT THE AGE OF 83. HE WAS THE CO-OWNER OF PURITAN BAKERY, HE  
4 WAS KNOWN AS THE "BREAD MAN" OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. HE BEGAN  
5 WORKING THE BREAD BUSINESS AT THE AGE OF 12 WORKING IN VARIOUS  
6 BAKERIES THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES COUNTY BEFORE PARTNERING WITH  
7 OWNERS OF PURITAN IN 1965. HE PROVIDED HAS FAMOUS HAMBURGER  
8 BUNS TO MORE THAN 2,000 RESTAURANTS IN CALIFORNIA, INCLUDING  
9 IN-N-OUT, THE ORIGINAL TOMMY'S, FATBURGER, AND THE HABIT  
10 BURGER GRILL AMONG MANY OTHERS. HE WAS WELL RESPECTED, GREAT  
11 CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY MEMBER AND BY HIS EMPLOYEES. HE IS  
12 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 63 YEARS, ANITA, SONS GEORGE AND J.J.,  
13 DAUGHTERS CATHY AND LORRAINE. BROTHERS MIKE, JIMMY AND NICK,  
14 14 GRANDCHILDREN AND TWO GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. GREAT GUY. SO  
15 ORDERED. ALL RIGHT. LET'S MOVE TO ITEM S-1.

16

17 **JERRY POWERS:** GOOD MORNING MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.  
18 JERRY POWERS YOUR CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER. I WAS APPROACHED BY  
19 A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC PRIOR TO THE MEETING TODAY WHO  
20 SUGGESTED MUCH LIKE BASEBALL YOU CALL INDIVIDUALS IN FROM THE  
21 BULLPEN AND YOU HAVE MUSIC AND STUFF, THAT MAYBE WE COULD  
22 SPICE THESE MEETINGS UP AS WE PREPARE FOR EACH PRESENTATION  
23 WITH SOME ENTER SANDMAN OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT.

24

25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** KEEP YOUR DAY JOB, JERRY. [LAUGHTER.]

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1

2 **JERRY POWERS:** JUST ONCE.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IS THAT A SIGNAL WHAT THE REPORT IS  
5 GOING TO BE LIKE?

6

7 **JERRY POWERS:** NO.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** JUST ASKING.

10

11 **JERRY POWERS:** I'M JOINED BY SHERIFF'S STAFF, C.C.J.C.  
12 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, PROBATION STAFF, MENTAL HEALTH, THE USUAL  
13 CAST OF I WON'T SAY CHARACTERS, CAST OF ACTORS TO GIVE YOU A  
14 BRIEF UPDATE ON A.B.109. WE'RE GOING TO DO A LITTLE DIFFERENT  
15 THIS MONTH FOR YOU. WE'RE NOT GOING TO THROW YOU WITH AS MANY  
16 TRADITIONAL NUMBERS AS WE DO. THE LAST PRESENTATION WE GAVE TO  
17 YOU THERE WERE SEVERAL QUESTIONS FROM YOUR BOARD ABOUT SOME  
18 FOLLOW-UP WHAT WAS HAPPENING TO THE INDIVIDUALS WHO WERE BEING  
19 NONCOMPLIANT AND SO WE'RE GOING TO DIVE DEEPER INTO THOSE  
20 TYPES OF QUESTIONS FROM YOUR BOARD THAN WE HAVE IN THE PAST  
21 AND SO WE'RE GOING TO TAKE A DECENT AMOUNT OF TIME DOING THAT  
22 INSTEAD OF JUST THROWING NUMBERS AT YOU. WE WILL GIVE YOU AN  
23 OVERALL UPDATE ON WHERE WE'RE AT, WHAT YOU SEE IN THE FIRST  
24 SLIDE. WE HAVE CROSSED THE 20,000 THRESHOLD FOR THE NUMBER OF

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1 OFFENDERS THAT HAVE BEEN RELEASED TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY FROM  
2 THE STATE PRISON SYSTEM. AS YOU SEE, WE'RE AT 19,967.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** EXCUSE ME. CAN WE GET THIS UP ON OUR  
5 SCREENS, PLEASE?

6

7 **JERRY POWERS:** YOU CAN SEE WE'VE HAD 19,967 RELEASED FROM STATE  
8 PRISON TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY AS OF DECEMBER 31ST OF 2013. YOU  
9 ADD IN THE NUMBER OF LOCAL SENTENCES AND WE'RE OVER 20,000 AND  
10 CERTAINLY BY TODAY'S DATE WE'RE SIGNIFICANTLY OVER 20,000  
11 INDIVIDUALS INTO OUR COUNTY. YOU CAN SEE THAT WE CLOSED ABOUT  
12 ALMOST 9,000 OF THOSE CASES HAVE BEEN CLOSED EITHER THROUGH  
13 SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION, RETURN TO STATE PRISON, DECEASED AND  
14 OTHER ISSUES. WE CURRENTLY HAVE ABOUT 1,800 OUTSTANDING  
15 WARRANTS FOR THOSE 20,000 WHO HAVE COME THROUGH OUR SYSTEM.  
16 AND SO THE NUMBER ON WHAT IS YOUR FAR RIGHT ARE THE NUMBER OF  
17 ACTIVE CASES BEING SUPERVISED BY PROBATION. AND THAT'S JUST  
18 UNDER 8,500. THAT NUMBER HAS STAYED STEADY RIGHT ABOUT 8,400-  
19 8,500.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** BACK UP THAT 1,800 WARRANTS IS THAT THE  
22 ABSCONDERS?

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24 **JERRY POWERS:** YES, THOSE ARE ABSCONDERS, YES. THAT 8,500 OR  
25 8,427 HAS BEEN FAIRLY STEADY OVER THE LAST SIX TO EIGHT MONTHS



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1 AND WILL REMAIN IN THAT BALLPARK FOR PROBABLY THE NEXT SIX  
2 MONTHS OR SO. TOTAL TERMINATIONS, AS I SAID EARLIER, JUST  
3 ABOUT 9,000 TERMINATIONS. THERE'S THE REASONS BEHIND THOSE  
4 TERMINATIONS. FROM SUCCESSFUL TERMINATION TO DECEASED AND  
5 EVERYTHING IN BETWEEN. A NUMBER THAT IS FREQUENTLY ASKED OF US  
6 IS HOW MANY OF THESE INDIVIDUALS HAVE BEEN ARRESTED HAVE BEEN  
7 RELEASED? YOU CAN SEE ABOUT ONE IN THREE HAS SUSTAINED A NEW  
8 FELONY OR MISDEMEANOR ARREST SINCE RELEASE TO LOS ANGELES  
9 COUNTY. AND THOSE ARE INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE BEEN ARRESTED. SOME  
10 OF THOSE INDIVIDUALS HAVE BEEN ARRESTED MULTIPLE TIMES. SO  
11 WE'RE NOT TALKING ABOUT TOTAL ARRESTS. WE'RE JUST TALKING  
12 ABOUT INDIVIDUALS IN THIS PROGRAM WHO HAVE SUSTAINED AT LEAST  
13 ONE ARREST GOING FORWARD.

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15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU SHOWED A COLUMN PREVIOUSLY, DON'T  
16 HAVE TO GO BACK BUT IT SAID REFERRED TO PAROLE. HOW DO THEY  
17 GET TO PAROLE?

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19 **JERRY POWERS:** WELL SOMETIMES WE GET THEM IN ERROR. SO WE'LL  
20 SEND THEM BACK TO PAROLE BECAUSE THEY WERE CLASSIFIED  
21 INCORRECTLY OR THINGS LIKE THAT. OKAY. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE.  
22 WE'RE GOING TO TURN OVER TO THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WHO WILL  
23 GIVE THEIR REPORT AND THEN WE WILL COME BACK FOR A DEEPER DIVE  
24 ON SOME OF OUR TREATMENT OUTCOMES AND NONCOMPLIANCE AND WRAP

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1 UP WITH SOME DISCUSSIONS ABOUT SPLIT SENTENCES AND THINGS LIKE  
2 THAT.

3

4 **JEFF PERRY:** CAPTAIN JEFF PERRY OF THE COPS BUREAU. WE HANDLE  
5 THE PAROLE COMPLIANCE TEAM SO WE'RE DEALING WITH THE  
6 ABSCONDERS AND ASSISTING PROBATION WITH THE PAROLE COMPLIANCE  
7 CHECKS. FIRST SLIDE IS JUST OVERALL WITH OUR WARRANTS. WE  
8 BROKE IT DOWN BY L.A.S.D. AREAS, OTHER AREAS, L.A.P.D. AND SO  
9 ON. ALSO, THE LOW REPEAT ABSCONDERS. WE TALKED EARLIER ABOUT  
10 GUYS THAT WERE ARRESTED MORE THAN ONCE. SO AS YOU CAN SEE,  
11 THERE'S AT LEAST OVER 1,316 THAT HAVE BEEN ARRESTED OR HAVE AT  
12 LEAST TWO WARRANTS ISSUED. AND AS YOU CAN SEE, THERE IS ONE  
13 INDIVIDUAL THAT HAS SEVEN WARRANTS ISSUED FOR HIM. THE NEXT  
14 SLIDE? THE NEXT IS THE ABSCONDER TEAM EFFORTS. THOSE ARE THE  
15 PAROLE-COMPLIANCE DEPUTIES THAT ARE OUT THERE IN THE FIELD.  
16 TALKING ABOUT SINCE INCEPTION, OUR 2013 NUMBERS AS FAR AS  
17 TOTAL ARRESTS WAS 233 OF P.S.P. PALS AND THEN DOWN BELOW JUST  
18 A SYNOPSIS OF MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION, SUCH AS FIREARMS  
19 SEIZED, HOW MANY FIELD INTERVIEW REPORTS WE'VE DONE,  
20 COMPLIANCE CHECKS, NO SHOW LOCATIONS AND ADDRESS  
21 VERIFICATIONS. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE? AND THEN THE NEXT SLIDE IS  
22 JUST OUR YEARLY COMPARISON OF OUR PAROLE COMPLIANCE TEAM  
23 STATS. AGAIN, HOW MANY ARRESTS, OTHER ARRESTS AND THE PAL  
24 ARRESTS, COMPLIANCE CHECKS AND FIRE ARMS SEIZED. JUST A  
25 SYNOPSIS OF THE OTHER SLIDES.

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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** COULD I JUST ASK A QUESTION? NOT THAT  
3 ONE BUT THE PREVIOUS ONE YOU HAD THE FIELD INTERVIEWS? AND HOW  
4 LONG DO THOSE FIELD INTERVIEWS TAKE?

5

6 **JEFF PERRY:** NOT LONG. WE HAVE A FORM THAT WE USE. IT'S JUST A  
7 SHORT LIKE HALF PAGE FORM.

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT FORM OR IS IT PROP  
10 109 FORM, WHAT IS IT?

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12 **JEFF PERRY:** IT'S A SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT FORM THAT WE CREATED.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

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16 **JERRY POWERS:** SUPERVISOR, AT THE LAST PRESENTATION, I THINK IT  
17 WAS SUPERVISOR MOLINA AND A COUPLE OF YOU OTHER ASKED ABOUT SO  
18 WHAT HAPPENS WHEN THESE GUYS DON'T ENGAGE IN MENTAL HEALTH  
19 TREATMENT OR THEY DON'T ENGAGE IN SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT AS  
20 THEY'RE ORDERED. AND WE DIDN'T HAVE A GOOD RESPONSE FOR YOU AT  
21 THE TIME BECAUSE WE HADN'T BROKEN DOWN WHAT THE SANCTIONS  
22 WERE. SO WE'RE GOING TO SPEND A LITTLE TIME TODAY TALKING  
23 ABOUT WHAT HAPPENS TO THESE INDIVIDUALS, HOW THEY'RE  
24 SANCTIONED AND ULTIMATELY WHETHER THEY BECOME COMPLIANT OR  
25 NOT. THE FIRST SLIDES YOU'RE LOOK AT ARE THOSE INDIVIDUALS,

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1    THERE'S APPROXIMATELY 912 WHO WERE NONCOMPLIANT WITH THE  
2    D.M.H. REFERRAL FOR MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES. AND WHAT YOU SEE  
3    THERE IS APPROXIMATELY HALF OF THOSE WHO ARE NONCOMPLIANT OR  
4    OVER HALF ARE GOING TO SUSTAIN A NEW CRIMINAL ARREST, WHICH IS  
5    INDICATIVE THAT THEY PROBABLY SHOULD HAVE COMPLIED AND GONE  
6    INTO MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT. I THINK I'M SAFE IN SAYING THAT  
7    THOSE ARREST NUMBERS WOULD HAVE BEEN SIGNIFICANTLY LOWER HAD  
8    THEY COMPLIED. NEXT SLIDE. AGAIN, LOOKING AT THE 912 AS YOUR  
9    BASE NUMBER, AND UNDERSTANDING THAT THERE WERE RIGHT ABOUT  
10   7,000 REFERRALS TO MENTAL HEALTH FOR SERVICES, YOU HAD ABOUT  
11   900 WHO ESSENTIALLY REFUSED TO GO AND ENGAGE IN TREATMENT. AND  
12   THE CHART THAT YOU SEE IS THE BREAKDOWN OF WHAT HAPPENED TO  
13   THOSE 900. YOU SEE 123 ARE NO LONGER UNDER SUPERVISION. THEY  
14   WERE RETURNED TO STATE PRISON ON A NEW OFFENSE, TRANSFERRED TO  
15   ANOTHER COUNTY, THEY DIED, VARIOUS THINGS. 234 GOT SOME SORT  
16   OF A SANCTION. THEY WERE VERBALLY ADMONISHED. THEY WERE PLACED  
17   IN CUSTODY FOR A FLASH TERM. THEY WERE RE-REFERRED TO  
18   TREATMENT. THEY GOT GPS OR OTHER TYPES OF LOWER LEVEL  
19   SANCTIONS. YOU SEE THAT 155 OF THE 912 WERE REVOKED. AND WHAT  
20   THAT MEANS IS THAT ESSENTIALLY THEIR RELEASE TERMS WERE  
21   REVOKED AND THEY WERE RETURNED TO CUSTODY BY THE COURT. IT'S A  
22   FORMAL COURT ACTION THAT WE HAD TO GO THROUGH. AND THAT COULD  
23   BE FOR UP TO SIX MONTHS OF A REVOCATION PERIOD; 168 WERE BOTH  
24   SANCTIONED AND REVOKED, 85 OF THEM BASICALLY BECAME COMPLIANT  
25   ONCE WE TOLD THEM WHAT THE POSSIBLE SANCTIONS WERE; 66 OF THE

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1 912 ABSCONDED AND WE REQUESTED WARRANTS FOR, 5 OF THEM  
2 SUBSEQUENTLY WENT BACK TO D.M.H. AND D.M.H. DETERMINED THAT  
3 THEY DIDN'T HAVE MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS. AND 76 OF THEM ARE IN  
4 ESSENTIALLY PENDING SOME SORT OF SANCTION UP THERE. THEY MAY  
5 HAVE PREVIOUSLY BEEN ADMONISHED AND THEY STILL HAVEN'T GONE  
6 AND THEY'RE IN THE PROCESS OF BEING REVOKED OR SOMETHING ALONG  
7 THOSE LINES.

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO BASICALLY ABOUT 10 PERCENT  
10 COMPLIANCE?

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12 **JERRY POWERS:** WELL OUT OF 17,000, WE HAD ABOUT -- EXCUSE ME,  
13 OF 7,000, WE HAD ABOUT 1,000 WHO REFUSED TO ENGAGE SO 6 OUT OF  
14 7?

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16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OUT OF THE 912, YOU HAD BASICALLY 10  
17 PERCENT COMPLIANCE?

18

19 **JERRY POWERS:** RIGHT. AND SOME OF THOSE -- AND I THINK BOTH FOR  
20 MENTAL HEALTH AND FOR SUBSTANCE ABUSE POPULATION, THEY'RE NOT  
21 NECESSARILY THE MOST ACCEPTING OF TREATMENT EVEN WHEN IT'S  
22 PROVIDED FREE OF CHARGE. THEY'RE NOT GOING TO WILLINGLY COMPLY  
23 UNLESS AND UNTIL WE PUT ENOUGH PRESSURE ON THEM EITHER THROUGH  
24 INCREASED JAIL TERMS OR OTHER MEANS TO GO AND ENGAGE. THE SAME  
25 SORT OF-- SURE.

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2 **MARVIN SOUTHARD:** MARV SOUTHARD, DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF  
3 MENTAL HEALTH. I WANTED TO ADD THAT SINCE THE LAST MEETING, WE  
4 RECEIVED WORD THAT OUR PROPOSAL TO THE OVERSIGHT AND  
5 ACCOUNTABILITY COMMISSION FOR TRIAGE WORKERS UNDER S.B.82  
6 RECEIVED A FAVORABLE RECOMMENDATION, SO WE WILL EXPECT TO BE  
7 COMING TO YOUR BOARD FOR FUNDING FOR THAT IN THE NEAR FUTURE.  
8 AND ONE COMPONENT OF THAT ARE ADDITIONAL WORKERS WHOSE JOB IT  
9 WILL BE TO ENGAGE THIS A.B.109 POPULATION IN TREATMENT SO THAT  
10 BESIDES THE PROBATION APPROACH, WE CAN TAKE A MENTAL HEALTH  
11 ENGAGEMENT APPROACH TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY REACH TREATMENT. SO  
12 WE WOULD EXPECT TO BE ABLE TO START THAT WITHIN THIS FISCAL  
13 YEAR.

14

15 **JERRY POWERS:** SO GOING TO THE SUBSTANCE ABUSE REFERRALS THAT  
16 WE'VE MADE, WE'VE MADE SIGNIFICANTLY -- EXCUSE ME, I CAN'T  
17 SPEAK TODAY -- SIGNIFICANTLY MORE REFERRALS FOR SUBSTANCE  
18 ABUSE TREATMENT THAN MENTAL HEALTH. SOMEWHERE IN THE  
19 NEIGHBORHOOD OF ABOUT 14,000 REFERRALS. AND YOU CAN SEE THAT  
20 ABOUT 1,400 OF THEM HAVE BEEN NONCOMPLIANT. AGAIN ABOUT 10  
21 PERCENT OF THE POPULATION, 1,389 ACCORDING TO THIS CHART. IT'S  
22 INTERESTING TO LOOK AT THOSE ARRESTED FOR A NEW CHARGE. THE  
23 PERCENTAGE IS APPROXIMATELY THE SAME OR VERY CLOSE TO THE SAME  
24 AS THE MENTAL HEALTH POPULATION 55 PERCENT TO 45 PERCENT.  
25 AGAIN, USING THE SAME CHART THAT WE DID PREVIOUSLY, JUST

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1 FOCUSING ON THE SUBSTANCE ABUSE POPULATION, YOU CAN SEE THE  
2 BREAKDOWN IN THE SANCTIONS THAT ARE UTILIZED TO TRY AND RETURN  
3 THEM TO COMPLIANCE WITH THE SUBSTANCE ABUSE COUNSELING. AGAIN,  
4 400 HAVE BEEN EITHER RETURNED TO STATE PRISON, DIED OR WITH  
5 ANOTHER COUNTY, 500 GOT SOME SORT OF AN ADMINISTRATIVE  
6 SANCTION, WHETHER IT'S FLASH INCARCERATION OR G.P.S. OR  
7 ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS, 53 REVOKED, 92 WERE SANCTIONED AND  
8 REVOKED, 5 WERE OR ARE CURRENTLY RECEIVING TREATMENT, DECIDED  
9 THAT THEY WOULD GO, 77 HAVE ABSCONDED. AND, AGAIN, 248 ARE IN  
10 SOME FORM OR FASHION BETWEEN ONE OF THOSE SANCTION LEVELS. FOR  
11 A TOTAL OF 1,389. NOW I WILL TURN IT OVER TO DR. FIELDING TO  
12 TALK ABOUT SOME OF THE OTHER QUESTIONS RELATED TO THE  
13 SUBSTANCE ABUSE PROGRAMMING.

14

15 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. JONATHAN FIELDING,  
16 DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND HEALTH OFFICER. THERE WAS  
17 QUESTIONS ABOUT CLIENT COMPLETION, WHAT ARE THE -- WHILE IT'S  
18 VERY SPECIFIC TO EACH CLIENT, THE KIND OF ISSUES ARE NO  
19 POSITIVE URINE TESTS FOR DRUGS WITHIN THE PAST 30 DAYS,  
20 FREQUENT CONTACT AND POSITIVE CONTACT WITH A PROBATION  
21 OFFICER. NO UNEXCUSED ABSENCES FOR AT LEAST 60 DAYS. AND THEN  
22 DEVELOPMENT OF SUPPORT NETWORKS IN CLOSE COLLABORATION WITH  
23 THE STAFF. AND THIS, THEN, LEADS TO A DISCHARGE PLAN. AND THAT  
24 REALLY LOOKS AT ISSUES OF WORK EDUCATION, HOUSING, HEALTH,  
25 SUPPORT GROUPS AND THEN EXIT INTERVIEW WITH A COUNSELOR. THE



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1 NON-COMPLETION WAS SATISFACTORY TREATMENT ARE THOSE WHO DIDN'T  
2 COMPLETE THE TREATMENT BUT THEY MADE SIGNIFICANT PROGRESS  
3 TOWARDS THE TREATMENT PLAN THAT THEY'D AGREED ON IN TERMS OF  
4 GOALS AND OBJECTIVES, WHEREAS THOSE NON-COMPLETIONS WITH  
5 UNSATISFACTORY TREATMENT OUTCOMES ARE THOSE WHO OBVIOUSLY HAD  
6 POSITIVE DRUG TESTS, NO-SHOWS FOR GROUPS, LACK OF WILLINGNESS  
7 TO TRY TO ENGAGE IN THE COMMUNITY AND THE LIKE. THERE WAS A  
8 QUESTION ASKED LAST TIME IN THE NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE, WAS ASKED  
9 ABOUT WHAT'S OUR DISCHARGE RATE OF COMPLETION POSITIVELY WITH  
10 SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION? AND THAT PERCENTAGE IS HELD RELATIVELY  
11 CONSTANT FROM YEARS 1 AND 2 AT ABOUT 32 PERCENT. THEN YOU ADD  
12 TO THAT THOSE WHO LEFT BEFORE COMPLETION BUT WITH SATISFACTORY  
13 PROGRESS AND YOU GET ROUGHLY 50 PERCENT IN THOSE TWO  
14 CATEGORIES. BUT THAT STILL LEAVES 50 PERCENT THAT LEFT BEFORE  
15 COMPLETION WITH UNSATISFACTORY PROGRESS. SO WE HAVE CONTINUING  
16 WORK TO DO. ONE OF THE THINGS WE'RE GOING TO DO TO TRY AND  
17 MAKE SURE THAT A HIGHER PERCENTAGE GO FROM THE CAST TO  
18 TREATMENT IS TO HAVE A CARE COORDINATOR ASSOCIATED WITH EACH  
19 CAST AND ALSO TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF PROVIDERS WE'LL BE  
20 PUTTING OUT AN R.F.P. AND GETTING ADDITIONAL PROVIDERS SO THAT  
21 THERE IS NO PROBLEM OR REDUCED PROBLEM OF WAITING TIME.

22

23 **JERRY POWERS:** A COUPLE OF CLOSING COMMENTS AND THEN WE'LL  
24 CERTAINLY ENTERTAIN QUESTIONS FROM YOU. THE SUPPORT SERVICES  
25 R.F.P. THAT WE HAD DISCUSSION ABOUT SINCE THIS PROGRAM

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1    STARTED, YOU SEE OUR TIMELINE UP THERE. AND WE ANTICIPATE -- I  
2    ANTICIPATE THAT I WILL HAVE A RECOMMENDATION FOR AWARDING THE  
3    R.F.P. TO ME THIS MONTH. AND YOU SEE GOING FORWARD THAT IF  
4    THERE ARE PROTESTS WE'VE BUILT IN A PROTEST TIMELINE OR  
5    PROTEST PERIOD. WE ANTICIPATE THAT WE'LL HAVE THIS  
6    RECOMMENDATION BACK TO YOU FOR AWARDING THE CONTRACT IN JUNE.  
7    IF THERE ARE NO PROTESTS, WE MAY BE ABLE TO SPEED THAT UP,  
8    WHICH I'M HOPEFUL THERE WON'T BE BECAUSE WE DID A LOT OF WORK  
9    PRIOR TO THIS IN CONSTRUCTING THE R.F.P. AND WORKING WITH THE  
10    BIDDERS. SO, AFTER MUCH WORK AND MUCH DISCUSSION AND EFFORT,  
11    WE ARE ON THE DOORSTEP OF GETTING THAT DONE. LASTLY, I WOULD  
12    LIKE TO GIVE YOUR BOARD AN UPDATE REGARDING SPLIT SENTENCES.  
13    THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY, PUBLIC DEFENDER, ALTERNATE PUBLIC  
14    DEFENDER, THE COURTS, MYSELF, THE SHERIFF AND CHIEF BECK MET  
15    WITH GOVERNOR BROWN LAST WEEK, LATE LAST WEEK TO DISCUSS THE  
16    ISSUE OF SPLIT SENTENCES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. IN A NUTSHELL  
17    THE GOVERNOR'S QUESTION WAS: HOW COME RIVERSIDE CAN DO 60  
18    PERCENT OF THEIR SENTENCES AS SPLIT SENTENCES AND LOS ANGELES  
19    ONLY DOES 5 PERCENT OR LESS? WHICH I THINK IS A VERY GOOD  
20    QUESTION. WE HAD A VERY SPIRITED CONVERSATION BETWEEN ALL OF  
21    US. I THINK THE FACT THAT YOU HAVE THE GOVERNOR ASKING WHAT'S  
22    GOING ON IN LOS ANGELES WITH RESPECT TO THIS, AND JUST FOR  
23    THOSE IN THE AUDIENCE, THE SPLIT SENTENCES ARE THOSE LOCAL  
24    PRISON SENTENCES THAT THE COURTS ARE NOW IMPOSING WHERE THE  
25    INDIVIDUALS DON'T GO TO STATE PRISON; THEY SPEND TIME IN THE

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1 COUNTY JAIL IN LIEU OF GOING TO PRISON. JUST TO GIVE YOU AN  
2 IDEA OF THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS ISSUE, I'M GOING TO GIVE YOU  
3 TWO NUMBERS THAT I THINK HIGHLIGHT WHY YOU HAVE THE GOVERNOR  
4 ASKING WHAT'S GOING ON IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE'VE HAD OVER  
5 16,000 INDIVIDUALS SENTENCED LOCALLY SINCE A.B.109 WAS  
6 IMPLEMENTED TO COUNTY JAIL IN LIEU OF GOING TO STATE PRISON.  
7 OF THOSE 16,000, FEWER THAN 1,000 HAVE BEEN GIVEN ANY KIND OF  
8 A SPLIT SENTENCE OR ANY KIND OF A POST RELEASE SUPERVISION  
9 TERM UNDER THE PROBATION OFFICER. WHAT THAT MEANS IS YOU'VE  
10 GOT 15,000 INDIVIDUALS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY WHO ARE GOING TO  
11 WALK OUT OF JAIL WHO ARE NOT GOING TO BE COMPELLED TO GO INTO  
12 TREATMENT. THEY'RE NOT GOING DRUG TESTED. THEY'RE NOT GOING TO  
13 BE SEARCHABLE BY YOUR LOCAL POLICE AGENCIES. ESSENTIALLY  
14 THEY'RE GOING TO BE WITHOUT ANY SORT OF OBLIGATION TO ENGAGE  
15 IN ANY SORT OF REHABILITATIVE TREATMENT OR ANY WAY FOR LAW  
16 ENFORCEMENT TO ENSURE THAT THEY'RE REMAINING LAW-ABIDING  
17 THROUGH SEARCHES OR COMPLIANCE CHECKS; 15,000 IS AN ALARMINGLY  
18 HIGH NUMBER FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO PREVIOUSLY WOULD HAVE GONE TO  
19 STATE PRISON. AND I'M VERY CONCERNED ABOUT IT. I THINK THAT  
20 FOR LOS ANGELES TO ONLY BE AT FIVE PERCENT WHEN YOU HAVE WHAT  
21 ARE TRADITIONALLY SEEN AS CONSERVATIVE COUNTIES SUCH AS  
22 RIVERSIDE, FRESNO, KERN AT SIGNIFICANTLY HIGHER RATES IS  
23 ALARMING TO ME AND I THINK IS PROBABLY THE UNSEEN POTENTIAL  
24 JEOPARDY GOING FORWARD FOR US FROM A PUBLIC SAFETY STANDPOINT.  
25 THESE 8,000 THAT WE HAVE UNDER SUPERVISION NOW ARE GOING

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1 THROUGH OUR SYSTEM AND ARE GOING TO BE GONE OUT OF OUR SYSTEM  
2 IN THE NOT TOO DISTANT FUTURE AND WE NEED TO BE CONCENTRATING  
3 ON THOSE LOCAL INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE SITTING IN THE SHERIFF'S  
4 BEDS. WE NEED TO PROVIDE THEM SERVICES SO THAT THEY DON'T JUST  
5 SIMPLY RECYCLE RIGHT BACK INTO THE SHERIFF'S BEDS. IT DOESN'T  
6 HELP OUR JAIL POPULATION. IT DOESN'T HELP US REDUCE  
7 VICTIMIZATION. IT CERTAINLY ISN'T GOING TO HELP OUR VEHICLE  
8 THEFT RATES, OUR BURGLARY RATES AND THINGS LIKE THAT. SO, I  
9 THINK THAT -- OR I KNOW THAT THE GOVERNOR HAS INTRODUCED AS  
10 PART OF HIS LEGISLATION SOME LANGUAGE TO REQUIRE A PRESUMPTION  
11 OF A SPLIT SENTENCE FOR ALL OF THESE 1170-H SENTENCES. AND I'M  
12 HOPEFUL THAT THAT WILL KIND OF NUDGE LOS ANGELES COUNTY TO  
13 START DOING THESE SENTENCES SO THAT WE CAN PROVIDE  
14 SUPERVISION, SO THAT WE CAN PROVIDE SERVICES TO THIS  
15 POPULATION BECAUSE IT DWARFS THE STATE PRISON POPULATION THAT  
16 WE CURRENTLY HAVE. AND THAT LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT CAN DO WHAT  
17 THEY'VE BEEN DOING WITH RESPECT TO COMPLIANCE CHECKS. SO WITH  
18 THAT, I --

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** JERRY, MR. POWERS, COULD YOU EXPLAIN FOR  
21 THE PUBLIC PURPOSES THE 1170-H?

22

23 **JERRY POWERS:** 1170-H IS THE CODE SECTION. BASICALLY AS OF  
24 OCTOBER 2011, THERE IS A WHOLE GROUP OF CRIMINAL VIOLATIONS  
25 THAT USED TO RESULT IN A STATE PRISON SENTENCE WHERE THE

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1 OFFENDER WOULD BE SENTENCE TO STATE PRISON. THEY WOULD BE  
2 PICKED UP AT THE COUNTY JAIL AND THEY WOULD BE TRANSPORTED TO  
3 A STATE FACILITY. THOSE OFFENSES NOW, THOSE INDIVIDUALS ARE NO  
4 LONGER ELIGIBLE TO BE HOUSED IN A STATE PRISON. THEY ARE  
5 HOUSED IN OUR COUNTY JAIL. FOR THE EXACT SAME AMOUNT OF TIME  
6 AS HAD THEY WOULD HAVE GONE TO STATE PRISON EXCEPT THEY GO TO  
7 OUR COUNTY JAIL. THE SIGNIFICANT DIFFERENCE IS THOSE  
8 INDIVIDUALS USED TO COME OUT AND BE UNDER A PAROLE TERM. THEY  
9 USED TO HAVE A SUPERVISION TERM. THE WAY THE LAW HAS BEEN  
10 RECONSTRUCTED NOW IS THAT ISN'T AN AUTOMATIC. THAT HAS TO BE  
11 IMPOSED BY THE COURT AND THAT'S NOT HAPPENING, FRANKLY. SO  
12 THESE INDIVIDUALS ARE DOING THE SAME AMOUNT OF CUSTODY TIME,  
13 BUT THERE IS NO SUPERVISION TIME WHEN THEY COME OUT. AND  
14 THAT'S WHEN I SAY 1170-H. THAT'S WHAT I REFER TO AS THE LOCAL  
15 PRISON GUYS. THEY ARE IN THE SHERIFF'S JAILS FOR THE SAME  
16 AMOUNT OF TIME, BUT THEY DON'T HAVE THE SERVICES COMING OUT  
17 THAT THIS 8,000 AND THE 20,000 THAT HAVE COME HERE HAVE ACCESS  
18 TO AT THIS POINT. NO MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES. NO SUBSTANCE  
19 ABUSE SERVICES. NO TRANSPORTATION. NO TRANSITIONAL HOUSING. NO  
20 VOCATIONAL PROGRAMS. NONE OF THOSE TYPES OF SERVICES.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IS THAT BECAUSE OF THE RESTRICTIONS  
23 PLACED UPON US? NOT RESTRICTIONS BUT OUR INABILITY TO DEAL  
24 WITH ALL THIS WITH UNDER PROP 109?

25

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1   **JERRY POWERS:** , FRANKLY, IT'S BECAUSE WE DON'T HAVE THE  
2   ABILITY TO COMPEL THEM TO DO IT.

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4   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS? YES,  
5   MIKE?

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7   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** JUST ONCE AGAIN FOR THE RECORD, TO INDICATE  
8   THE SERIOUSNESS THAT 109 HAS HAD IN THE DELIVERY OF SAFE  
9   COMMUNITIES. AS OF JANUARY 10TH TO REPORT AGAIN, THE PAROLEES  
10  SHIFTED TO L.A. COUNTY PROBATION EXCEEDED 19,000. THE NUMBER  
11  OF NEW ARRESTS OF THAT 19,511 FIGURE TOTALED 24,742, WHICH  
12  MEANS MANY WERE RE-ARRESTED MORE THAN ONE TIME. OF THOSE  
13  OFFENDERS SENTENCED TO COUNTY JAIL, 18,410. WE'VE ALWAYS HEARD  
14  ABOUT THE OVERCROWDING OF OUR JAILS PRIOR TO 109. NOW WE'RE  
15  HAVING TO RELEASE PEOPLE SENTENCED TO COUNTY JAIL MUCH EARLIER  
16  IN THEIR PRISON SENTENCE. OF THOSE OFFENDERS CURRENTLY SERVING  
17  TIME IN JAIL EXCEEDS 6,000, 6,000 BEDS THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN  
18  USED BY OTHERS WHO WERE GOING THROUGH THE JUDICIAL PROCESS OR  
19  BEING SENTENCED TO COUNTY JAIL BY THE SUPERIOR COURT. SOME OF  
20  THOSE WE HAVE SENTENCED BETWEEN SIX YEARS AND 42 YEARS IN A  
21  COUNTY JAIL WHICH WAS NOT MEANT TO BE A FULL SERVICE STATE  
22  PENITENTIARY BUT A COUNTY JAIL FOR THOSE GOING THROUGH THE  
23  COURT SYSTEM AND SERVING LESS THAN 12 MONTHS. THAT HAS ALL  
24  BEEN CHANGED BECAUSE OF THIS LAW THAT OUGHT TO BE REPEALED.  
25  INSTEAD, WE'RE SEEING IN OUR COMMUNITY INCREASES IN CRIME. AND

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1 WHILE THERE ARE SOME REPORTS THAT SAY THERE HAS BEEN A  
2 DECREASE. THAT'S A BUNCH OF NONSENSE. THERE'S BEEN AN INCREASE  
3 IN CRIME. WHAT I FIND INTERESTING THE L.A. NOW, WHICH IS THE  
4 L.A. TIMES ONLINE EVENING REPORTS ON WHAT'S GOING ON, THEY  
5 REPEAT OR THEY REPORT MANY CRIME INCREASES THAT WERE  
6 OCCURRING. JUST IN OUR LITTLE COMMUNITY OF ATWATER, IN THE  
7 COMMUNITY OF VENICE, IN AREAS IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, WE'VE  
8 HAD INCREASES IN CRIME. AND WE TALKED TO THE INDEPENDENT OR  
9 THE LOCAL ELECTED APPOINTED CHIEFS OF POLICE, THEY'LL TELL YOU  
10 THE IMPACT IT'S HAVING ON PASADENA, ON GLENDALE, GLENDORA. YOU  
11 JUST GO RIGHT DOWN THE LIST. IT'S A SERIOUS PROBLEM. SO ON  
12 YOUR SLIDE 5, IT INDICATES THAT 35 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL OF  
13 P.S.P. POPULATION HAVE HAD AT LEAST ONE ARREST. WHAT IMPACT IS  
14 THIS HAVING ON THE LARGE NUMBER OF THOSE PAROLEES BEING RE-  
15 ARRESTED AGAIN ON YOUR ABILITY TO CARRY OUT 109?

16

17 **JERRY POWERS:** WELL, I THINK ANY TIME YOU SEE INDIVIDUALS WITH  
18 MULTIPLE ARRESTS THAT YOU POINTED OUT, IT'S DIFFICULT FOR US.  
19 IT'S CERTAINLY DIFFICULT FOR THE SHERIFF. AND, FRANKLY, IT'S  
20 INDICATIVE OF WHAT GOT THE STATE INTO THE JAM THAT THEY DID  
21 WITH THEIR POPULATION. THEY'RE CALLED CHURNERS, SUPERVISOR. I  
22 DON'T KNOW IF YOU'VE HEARD THE TERM USED. BUT THESE ARE  
23 INDIVIDUALS WHO CYCLE THROUGH THE SYSTEM OVER AND OVER AND  
24 OVER AGAIN. AND EVERY TIME THEY COME INTO OUR SYSTEM, THEY  
25 HAVE TO BE MEDICALLY ASSESSED BY SHERIFF'S PERSONNEL WHEN



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1 THEY'RE BOOKED. THEY MAY HAVE MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES THAT THEY  
2 HAVE TO BE DEALT WITH IN CUSTODY, WHICH ARE MUCH MORE  
3 EXPENSIVE TO PROVIDE THAN OUTPATIENT. SO THESE FREQUENT  
4 FLYERS, THESE CHURNERS ESSENTIALLY CLOG UP OUR SYSTEM. WE  
5 SPEND AN INORDINATE AMOUNT OF TIME DEALING WITH THEM AND IT  
6 DRAWS RESOURCES AWAY FROM THOSE THAT MIGHT BENEFIT AT A  
7 GREATER SUCCESS RATE THAN THESE CHURNERS. BUT BECAUSE THEY'RE  
8 CONSTANTLY IN, WE HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO DEAL WITH THEM.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IN MY CONVERSATIONS WITH MEMBERS OF THE  
11 SUPERIOR COURT, ONE WAS JUST YESTERDAY AFTERNOON, THE IMPACT  
12 IT'S HAVING ON THE COURTS AND THE IMPACT IT'S HAVING ON CRIME  
13 IS SHOCKING AND REALLY THREATENING TO SAFE COMMUNITIES, SAFE -  
14 - AND WE'RE NOT GOING TO CREATE THE JOBS IF WE CONTINUE TO  
15 HAVE CRIME PROBLEMS, IF WE CONTINUE TO PLACE THESE CRIMINALS  
16 BACK INTO THE COUNTIES WHO DON'T HAVE THE RESOURCES TO MEET  
17 THESE NEEDS. ON SLIDE 11, CHIEF AND ALSO DR. SOUTHARD, IT  
18 SHOWS THAT OVER 900 OFFENDERS ARE NOT COMPLYING WITH MENTAL  
19 HEALTH TREATMENT AND MORE THAN HALF OF THEM, 53 PERCENT HAVE  
20 BEEN ARRESTED FOR NEW OFFENSES. DO YOU HAVE THOSE SAME FIGURES  
21 FOR THOSE WHO ARE COMPLYING WITH THEIR MENTAL HEALTH  
22 TREATMENT? IN OTHER WORDS, HOW MANY ARE COMPLYING? AND WHAT  
23 PERCENTAGE OF THEM HAVE BEEN RE-ARRESTED FOR NEW OFFENSES?

24

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1   **JERRY POWERS:** WE CAN GET THAT FOR YOU. WE DON'T HAVE IT TODAY.  
2   BUT IN OUR NEXT REPORT, THAT'S A GOOD QUESTION. WE WILL  
3   COMPARE THAT TO THIS NONCOMPLIANT POPULATION.

4

5   **DR. MARVIN SOUTHARD:** SUPERVISOR OVER THE HISTORY OF THE  
6   PROGRAM, THERE HAVE BEEN ABOUT 6,700 WHO HAVE COMPLIED. BUT I  
7   DON'T HAVE THE ARREST ARRESTS FOR THEM AVAILABLE AT THE  
8   MOMENT.

9

10   **JERRY POWERS:** WE'LL DO A SAMPLE AND RUN A SAMPLE AND CHECK.

11

12   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY, GOOD. ON SLIDES 12 AND 14, LIST OF  
13   SANCTION FOR NONCOMPLIANCE WITH MENTAL HEALTH SUBSTANCE ABUSE  
14   TREATMENT INCLUDES REFERRAL TO TREATMENT. NOW, HOW IS THAT A  
15   SANCTION FOR NONCOMPLIANCE?

16

17   **JERRY POWERS:** WELL, SOMETIMES WE WILL HAVE A QUESTION ABOUT  
18   WHETHER OR NOT THE INITIAL REFERRAL WAS TO THE RIGHT PLACE, IN  
19   OTHER WORDS, YOU'LL HAVE AN OFFENDER THAT WAS LIVING IN THIS  
20   AREA WE BELIEVE THEY WERE LIVING IN THIS AREA AND THEY  
21   WEREN'T. SO THEY WILL COME FORWARD AND INSTEAD OF FLASHING  
22   THEM AND PUTTING THEM IN CUSTODY, THEY TELL US "WELL I LIVE  
23   OVER HERE, I CAN'T GET THERE." SO WE'LL MAKE A REFERRAL TO  
24   ANOTHER PROVIDER. SO THEY'RE ESSENTIALLY NONCOMPLIANT. BUT IT

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1 APPEARS OR WE BELIEVE THAT THEIR NONCOMPLIANCE WAS NOT  
2 WILLFUL. SO WE'LL GIVE THEM A NEW REFERRAL.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND DR. FIELDING, ON SLIDE 18 AND 19, HOW DO  
5 WE INTERPRET THE FACT THAT OVER 50 PERCENT OF THOSE IN  
6 SUBSTANCE ABUSE PROGRAMS ARE EITHER DROPPING OUT OR BEING  
7 DISCHARGED FOR NONCOMPLIANCE?

8

9 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** I THINK IT'S A VERY DIFFICULT GROUP,  
10 SUPERVISOR, TO KEEP ENGAGED. THEY OBVIOUSLY COME WITH A LOT OF  
11 BAGGAGE, A LOT OF PROBLEMS. AND WE'RE TRYING TO MAXIMIZE THAT  
12 BY GETTING MORE CARE MANAGEMENT AND INCREASINGLY A NETWORK OF  
13 PROVIDERS. BUT IT'S A DIFFICULT POPULATION.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DO YOU KNOW THE STATISTICS COMPARED TO THOSE  
16 PARTICIPATING LEVELS IN OTHER JURISDICTIONS?

17

18 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** NO. WE'VE ASKED THAT OF SEVERAL  
19 JURISDICTIONS. WE HAVE NOT GOTTEN THAT INFORMATION BACK. BUT  
20 WE ASKED THAT AND WILL BE HAPPY TO PROVIDE IT AS SOON AS WE  
21 GET IT.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** CHIEF POWERS, I AM EXTREMELY CONCERNED AND  
24 REMAIN EXTREMELY CONCERNED ABOUT THE ELECTRONIC MONITORING  
25 PROGRAM BASED UPON YOUR RECENT 30-DAY REPORT ON THE SENTINEL

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1 CONTRACT. IT STATES THAT YOU ARE PREPARING A FORMAL CONTRACT  
2 DISCREPANCY REPORT BASED ON YOUR ONGOING REVIEW AND MONITORING  
3 OF THIS CONTRACT. MANY OF THOSE ISSUES, THOUGH, ARE BASIC IN  
4 NATURE, SUCH AS THE DISCREPANCY BETWEEN OUR TOTAL NUMBER OF  
5 ACTIVE CASES VERSUS WHAT IS IN THEIR SYSTEM. THAT'S MAJOR. AND  
6 I'VE HAD PROBLEMS WITH SENTINEL BEFORE IF THEY ARE COMPETENT  
7 TO HANDLE THIS CONTRACT, THEN WE NEED TO GO BACK TO  
8 COMPETITIVE BID. ALSO, WE CAN'T FIX SOMETHING THAT SIMPLE IN  
9 THIS DISCREPANCY, YOU'RE IN A MAJOR, MAJOR PROBLEM, AND THIS  
10 HAS TO BE RESOLVED QUICKLY AND NOT CONTINUING FOR 30 DAYS, 60  
11 DAYS, 90-DAY REPORTS. THERE'S ALSO THE ISSUE WITH FAULTY  
12 EQUIPMENT. NOW THERE'S DELAYS IN REPAIRING THE FAULTY  
13 EQUIPMENT. WHY IS IT TAKING SO LONG? THEY DON'T HAVE THE  
14 ABILITY TO REPAIR THIS EQUIPMENT? ARE THEY PROVIDING INFERIOR  
15 OR FAULTY EQUIPMENT TO BEGIN WITH? THE ELECTRONIC MONITORING  
16 DEVICE

17

18 **JERRY POWERS:** SUPERVISOR, I WANT TO BE CAREFUL ABOUT HOW I  
19 RESPOND TO SOME OF THE QUESTIONS BECAUSE SOME OF THEM,  
20 FRANKLY, WE DON'T HAVE RESOLUTION TO. I CAN TELL YOU THAT WE  
21 ARE DOING A VERY COMPREHENSIVE EVALUATION OF OUR CURRENT  
22 PROVIDER. WE WILL BE HOLDING THEM TO TASK TO THE THINGS THAT  
23 THEY HAVE NOT DONE THAT THEY SHOULD HAVE BEEN DOING. CERTAINLY  
24 THERE ARE THINGS THAT PROBATION SHOULD HAVE CAUGHT SOONER AND  
25 THAT WE SHOULD HAVE DONE DIFFERENTLY. WE WILL ALSO MAKE SURE

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1 THAT OUR ELECTRONIC MONITORING PROGRAM INCLUDING THE G.P.S.  
2 PART OF IT GOING FORWARD IS THE BEST THAT WE CAN GET IN L.A.  
3 COUNTY WHETHER IT'S WITH THE CURRENT PROVIDER OR ANOTHER  
4 PROVIDER, I CAN'T ANSWER THAT QUESTION AT THIS POINT. BUT I  
5 ASSURE YOU THAT IT WILL BE MUCH MORE STRUCTURED. THERE WILL BE  
6 A MUCH HIGHER LEVEL OF SCRUTINY AND IT WON'T TAKE US AS LONG  
7 TO FIND OUT IF THERE ARE ISSUES.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THERE'S ALSO ISSUES ABOUT COMPLIANCE OF 17  
10 OFFENDERS NOTED IN YOUR REPORT, WHICH IS A SIGNIFICANT  
11 PROBLEM. HOW ARE YOU ADDRESSING THAT?

12

13 **JERRY POWERS:** AGAIN, BEING SENSITIVE TO THE POTENTIAL ISSUES  
14 THERE, WE ARE ADDRESSING IT. WE ARE ADDRESSING THEM. AND IF  
15 IT'S A VENDOR ISSUE OR OFFENDER ISSUE OR PROBATION ISSUE,  
16 WE'LL CORRECT IT.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ANY OTHER QUESTIONS? OKAY, IF NOT, THANK  
21 YOU.

22

23 **JERRY POWERS:** THANK YOU.

24

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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE HAVE SOME FOLKS THAT HAVE SIGNED UP  
2    TO SPEAK. SUE CLINE. JONATHAN BYRD. JOSEPH MAIZLISH. ARE THEY  
3    HERE? ALL RIGHT. BETTER COME FORWARD. ARNOLD SACHS AND JOHN  
4    WALSH. MR. PREVEN, I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING FROM YOU, EITHER ON  
5    S-1. IF YOU SIGNED UP, I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING FROM YOU. MR.  
6    MAIZLISH.

7

8    **JOSEPH MAIZLISH:** GOOD AFTERNOON, CHAIRMAN AND SUPERVISORS. IN  
9    A WAY, IT IS INSPIRING TO HEAR THESE REPORTS FOR A PARTICULAR  
10   REASON: IT SHOWS A GROWING COLLABORATION, NOT ONLY IN  
11   REPORTING BUT PERHAPS IN OPERATIONS, TOO. THAT CAME UP ALSO IN  
12   THE DISCUSSION OF ITEM 10 WHERE THE RESOLUTION THAT YOU CHOSE  
13   ON THAT INVOLVED KIND OF AN UPGRADE OF COLLABORATION AMONG  
14   DEPARTMENTS. AND THAT'S SOMETHING THAT'S IN A REMARK BY DR.  
15   AUSTIN IN HIS RECENT ARTICLE "SACRAMENTO BEE" ABOUT THE  
16   SUCCESS OF CONTRA COSTA COUNTY WITH RE-ALIGNMENT AND HE SAID  
17   ONE OF THE FACTORS THERE, CLOSE COORDINATION AMONG KEY  
18   CRIMINAL JUSTICE AGENCIES. I'LL GIVE YOU A COPY OF THIS  
19   REPORT. I UNDERSTAND, OF COURSE, L.A. COUNTY HAS SOME  
20   DIFFERENCES. PERHAPS AMONG THEM IS THE TREMENDOUS HOUSING  
21   PROBLEM WE HAVE HERE. AND THAT'S A SIGNAL THAT IF YOU WANT THE  
22   RE-ALIGNMENT AND ALL THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE PROGRAMS TO SUCCEED  
23   BETTER, IT'S GOING TO EMPHASIZE CERTAIN OTHER SERVICES THAT  
24   YOU'LL NEED TO WORK ON, AND I HOPE YOU'LL GET PUBLIC SUPPORT  
25   FOR. SO I'M GIVING YOU THIS, ONE COUNTY'S SUCCESS STORE WHICH

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1 RE-ALIGNMENT. ALSO ONE THING I WANT TO ADD, THIS COLLABORATION  
2 AMONG SPECIALIZED DIFFERENT AGENCIES IN A WAY PARALLELS WHAT  
3 WE'D LIKE TO SEE IN PEOPLE WHO COMMIT SOME OF THE OFFENSES.  
4 BECAUSE THEY'RE -- AND BRAIN SCIENCE SHOWS US BRAINS ARE NOT  
5 VERY WELL INTEGRATED, WHEN THEY'RE UNDER STRESS PARTICULARLY,  
6 INTEGRATION OF THE IMPULSES, PARTS IN THE BRAIN, THE  
7 CONSEQUENTIAL THINKING PARTS OF THE BRAIN IS NOT SO GOOD. SO  
8 I'M VERY GLAD THAT FOR ANY ADVANCE IN COLLABORATION OF  
9 REPORTING, COLLABORATION OF FUNCTIONS IN THE COUNTY  
10 DEPARTMENTS, IT'S A GOOD MODEL FOR THE PEOPLE WHO WE'RE TRYING  
11 TO HELP HAVE A BETTER LIFE. THAT'S IT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.  
12 HOW DO I DISTRIBUTE THESE NOW?

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. THE SHERIFF WILL GET IT.  
15 OKAY, NEXT?

16

17 **JOHN WALSH:** JOHN WALSH BLOGGING AT HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG OR  
18 JUST GO TO JWALSHCONFIDENTIAL. YOU HAVE A SERIOUS PROBLEM  
19 HERE. YOU'RE SERIOUSLY UNDERMANNED AT THE SHERIFF'S  
20 DEPARTMENT. YOU HAD FOUR KEY SHERIFF DEPUTIES RESIGN LAST WEEK  
21 WHEN BACA RESIGNED. AND THOSE WERE THE FOUR NO-SHOW DEPUTIES.  
22 I WANT ALL THE DEPUTIES TO KNOW HERE THAT SCOTT SVONKEN WHO IS  
23 A A BIG DEMOCRAT PARTY GUY, WHO IS ON THE LOS ANGELES CITY  
24 COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT, COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT,  
25 WAS MAKING 94,000 DOLLARS. VERY GOOD FOR ZEV, MARK AND GLORIA,



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1 AND HE WAS A NO-SHOW. WELL, HOW DO I KNOW THAT? IT DID NOT  
2 APPEAR IN THE L.A. TIMES. IT APPEARED IN THE INVESTIGATIVE  
3 SERIES ON KBCTV. AND WHEN THE SHERIFFS WERE ASKED WHERE ARE  
4 HIS RECORDS? THEY SAID WE DON'T KEEP RECORDS ON NO-SHOW  
5 DEPUTIES. HE WAS A NO-SHOW DEPUTY. THEY HAVE THOSE BACK EAST.  
6 NEVER SHOWED UP. ONE OF THE OTHER NO-SHOW DEPUTIES OF COURSE  
7 WAS A VERY GOOD FRIEND OF MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS AND INVOLVED IN  
8 NARCOTICS AND YOU KNOW THE REVEREND I'M TALKING ABOUT. AND  
9 ANOTHER ONE OF THE NO-SHOW DEPUTIES HAD A PLACE WHERE HE SPENT  
10 HIS TIME, THE RIVIERA COUNTRY CLUB. YOU HAVE THESE FOUR JOBS.  
11 AND THAT'S WHY I'M GOING TO ASK YOU TO -- FOR THE NEW NO-SHOW  
12 FOUR CIVILIAN DEPUTIES THAT YOU PUT MYSELF AND THREE OTHER  
13 PEOPLE IN THERE AND WE PROMISE NEVER TO COME BACK HERE AS LONG  
14 AS YOU PAY US 140,000 DOLLARS A YEAR. AND IT'S DISGRACEFUL  
15 THAT YOU ALLOWED THIS. AND IT'S DISGRACEFUL THAT THE L.A.  
16 TIMES WOULDN'T DO THE STORY. WE'RE ASKING SCOTT VONKEN WHO  
17 MAKES MONEY OVER AT THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE WHERE HE WAS ELECTED  
18 TO IN FACT REFUND EVERY DAMN DIME THEY GOT FROM THIS COUNTY.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NO NEED TO YELL. YES, MR. SACHS? MR.  
21 PREVEN?

22

23 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. ARNOLD SACHS. AND MAYBE THAT'S  
24 WHY YOU NEED THAT COUNTY PSYCHOLOGIST. MORE POWER TO YOU. THAT  
25 BEING SAID, THIS IS ACTUALLY WAS ABOUT PROBATION A.B.109 AND

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1 YOU HAD DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES HERE. BUT THEY DON'T GET  
2 FUNDING FROM A.B.109 FOR THEIR PROGRAMS. SO WE HAVEN'T REALLY  
3 HEARD ANY DISCUSSION ABOUT THE PROP 30 FUNDS. WHAT WAS REALLY  
4 INTERESTING, THOUGH, IN THIS WHOLE DISCUSSION WAS WHEN MR.  
5 POWERS MENTIONED THAT HE HAD A CONVERSATION WITH THE GOVERNOR,  
6 WITH THE CHIEF OF POLICE FROM THE CITY OF L.A. AND A COUPLE OF  
7 OTHER DEPARTMENT HEADS BUT NO SUPERVISORS. DIDN'T YOU GUYS  
8 HAVE A BROWN ACT VIOLATION? THE BROWN ACT VIOLATION? WHERE YOU  
9 MET WITH THE GOVERNOR TO DISCUSS THE FUNDING FOR PROP 30 AND  
10 HOW IT WOULD BE USED TO HELP ALLEVIATE THE SHORTAGE OF MONIES  
11 THAT WOULD OCCUR WITH THE A.B.109 FUNDING? THAT'S WHY YOU  
12 STOPPED, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, COMPLAINING ABOUT HOW  
13 DYSFUNCTIONAL THE STATE GOVERNMENT WAS BECAUSE YOU WERE GOING  
14 TO GET MONEY FROM THE GOVERNOR. THE GOVERNOR MADE A DEAL WITH  
15 THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. YOU CALM DOWN. WE'LL HAVE  
16 THAT EXTRA MONEY FROM PROP 30. AND WE WILL GIVE YOU SOME MONEY  
17 THAT WILL -- NO. DIDN'T HAPPEN. NO. YOU JUST, WHAT? WOKE UP?  
18 THAT DIDN'T HAPPEN, EITHER. NOW, CASELOADS AND HIRING  
19 STANDARDS. YOU HAD A PROBLEM WITH THE SHERIFF HAVING TO TAKE  
20 OVER SOME COUNTY POLICE AGENT. AND THERE WAS A LOT OF TALKING  
21 AND DISCUSSION ABOUT HOW THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT DROPPED THE  
22 BALL ON HIRING THOSE PEOPLE. BUT HERE'S A QUESTION NOBODY EVER  
23 ASKED: HOW DID THEY MANAGE TO KEEP THEIR JOBS? THEY WORKED FOR  
24 THE COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICE. HOW DID THEY MANAGE TO KEEP

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1 THEIR JOBS AND THEN BE ALLOWED TO COMPETE FOR SHERIFF'S  
2 DEPARTMENT? THAT'S ON YOU.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

5

6 **ERIC PREVEN:** YEAH, IT'S ERIC PREVEN THE COUNTY RESIDENT FROM  
7 DISTRICT 3. AND I HAVE TO SAY THE PROBATION MENTAL HEALTH  
8 REPORT WAS INTERESTING. I THINK WE'RE GETTING A LITTLE BIT  
9 MORE CLARITY. BUT IT'S UPSETTING, STILL, ON A NUMBER, FOR A  
10 NUMBER OF REASONS. ONE, I THINK THE MOST GLARING THAT WAS  
11 HIGHLIGHTED EVEN BY POWERS WAS THIS SPLIT SENTENCING NUMBER  
12 THAT IS EXTREMELY LOW. AND I THINK THAT THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY  
13 OUGHT TO GET DOWN HERE AND WE OUGHT TO FIGURE OUT WHAT IT IS  
14 WE CAN DO TO BRING THAT NUMBER UPWARD. I MEAN I READ THE JAMES  
15 AUSTIN PIECE IN THE "SACRAMENTO BEE," TOO, AND I THINK  
16 GOVERNOR BROWN READ IT, AS WELL. I THINK THE CONCERN IS THIS  
17 IS A MILLION PEOPLE IN CONTRA COSTA COUNTY. WHAT THEY FIGURED  
18 OUT IS THEY HAVE FAITH IN THE PROBATION WORKERS. THEY PREFER  
19 THE IDEA OF PROBATION, SOME KIND OF STICKY SERVICES THAT ARE  
20 WORKING A LOT BETTER THAN WHAT WE'RE FACING. JOHN KRATTLI IS  
21 IT 7,000 ARE REFERRED TO MENTAL HEALTH, 900 ACCEPT IT. AND  
22 THEN OF THAT 900, 85, KNABE IDENTIFIED 10 PERCENT GET BETTER?  
23 WE GOT TO DO SOMETHING DIFFERENTLY BECAUSE IT'S OBVIOUSLY NOT  
24 WORKING. I MEAN THAT'S A DISASTROUS NUMBER. AND WHAT HE FOUND  
25 WAS THAT BY DOING PROBATION AND PAROLE MORE EFFECTIVELY, THIS

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1 IS AUSTIN NOW, UP IN CONTRA COSTA COUNTY, BY REDUCING THE  
2 LENGTH OF THE TAIL, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, IF YOU REDUCE  
3 THE LENGTH OF A TAIL BY 50 PERCENT, THINK ABOUT WHAT THAT  
4 WOULD DO TO OUR POPULATION. IT WOULD BE HUGE. AND WHAT EFFECT  
5 DOES IT HAVE? WELL WE SEE 20 PERCENT RECIDIVISM INSTEAD OF 60  
6 PERCENT RECIDIVISM WHICH I KNOW GETS SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY  
7 EXCITED. GETS US ALL EXCITED BECAUSE WE WANT TO SOLVE THESE  
8 PROBLEMS, WE DON'T WANT TO CYCLE THEM BACK THROUGH AND  
9 THROUGH. CHURNING IS NOT OUR BUSINESS, MAYOR AND THE. I'VE --  
10 MAYOR ANTONOVICH. I SAVED IT FOR YOU ELECTRONIC MONITORING  
11 BECAUSE YOU'RE A CHAMPION AND YOU'RE TRYING TO GET TO THE  
12 BOTTOM OF IT. SIR, YOU'RE NOT A CHAMPION AND BY ALLOWING A  
13 DEAL FOR PROBATION AND SHERIFF TO GO FORWARD WITH SENTINEL  
14 OFFENDER SERVICES WHO WERE CITED PUBLICALLY IN ORANGE COUNTY  
15 AS BEING I'M NOT GOING TO USE THE WRONG WORD, SOMETHING LIKE  
16 INCOMPETENT TO TRY TO REFIGURE THAT ONE AND GET A LENGTHY  
17 EXTENSION AND MORE R.F.P. WORK. SUPERVISOR MOLINA HOW LONG DO  
18 WE WAIT FOR THE SENTINEL OFFENDER SERVICES YOU SAT HERE CRYING  
19 FOR FOUR YEARS GOING "WHERE IS IT? WHERE IS IT?" IT'S NOT  
20 APPROPRIATE. WE NEED TO BE STEPPING FORWARD WITH THIS  
21 TECHNOLOGY BECAUSE IT'S EFFECTIVE. IT'S EFFECTIVE. IT'S NOT A  
22 SCARE TECHNIQUE. IT WORKS. IF IT'S DONE PROPERLY. SO I THINK  
23 WE SHOULD ALL PUT THE PRESSURE BACK ON.  
24

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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. THE ITEM IS BEFORE  
2    US. RECEIVE AND FILE. THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. S-2. APPROPRIATE  
3    DEPARTMENT FOLKS, PLEASE COME FORWARD.

4

5    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. GO AHEAD, PLEASE. YES, WE ARE.

6

7    **PHILIP BROWNING:** BEFORE I GET STARTED, I WANT TO SAY HOW  
8    COMPREHENSIVE THE STATEMENTS WERE FROM SUPERVISOR MOLINA ABOUT  
9    HOW THESE PROGRAMS ARE. I THINK THAT WAS RIGHT ON TARGET. I  
10    THINK AS YOU KNOW THIS IS A VERY COMPLEX DEPARTMENT AND WE  
11    WANT TO GIVE YOU A LITTLE UPDATE ON THE STRATEGIC PLAN THAT WE  
12    HAVE IN PLACE. WE WILL TALK ABOUT ONLY FOUR AREAS TODAY OR  
13    THREE AREAS, I GUESS: THE HIRING PLAN, THE TRAINING AND THE  
14    FRONT END REDESIGN. I THINK ALL OF THOSE ARE CRITICAL TO  
15    MOVING THE DEPARTMENT FORWARD AND BEFORE WE GO TOO FAR, I WANT  
16    TO REMIND EVERYONE THAT WE HAVE ABOUT 36,000 CHILDREN UNDER  
17    THE SUPERVISION OF D.C.F.S. TODAY AND THE MAJORITY, ABOUT 76  
18    PERCENT ARE NOT PLACED IN OUT OF HOME CARE. THEY'RE IN THEIR  
19    OWN HOME OR THE HOME OF A RELATIVE OR A PREADOPTIVE AND A  
20    LEGAL HOME. THIS IS A SNAPSHOT OF OUR CASELOAD REDUCTION PLAN.  
21    THIS SHOWS THE EFFORTS TO ACTUALLY HIRE NEW SOCIAL WORKERS. WE  
22    HAVE A FAIRLY AGGRESSIVE HIRING PLAN. WE STARTED THAT BACK  
23    ALMOST A YEAR AGO NOW TRYING TO RECRUIT NEW C.S.W.S TO COME  
24    INTO THE DEPARTMENT. AND I REALLY WANT TO THANK THE BOARD FOR  
25    APPROVING AN ADDITIONAL 100 POSITIONS THAT WE'VE ACTUALLY

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1    STARTED THE HIRING FOR. SO YOU CAN SEE THAT WE HAD 105 THAT  
2    HAVE BEEN THROUGH ALL OF THE BRAND NEW TRAINING. AND THEY'RE  
3    TAKING A FULL CASELOAD AS WE SPEAK TODAY. WE HAVE A CLASS THAT  
4    STARTED A COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO. AND WE HAD A CLASS THAT STARTED  
5    A COUPLE OF DAYS AGO. SO WE HAVE 80 NEW C.S.W.S IN WHAT I  
6    THINK IS A STATE-OF-THE-ART TRAINING PROGRAM. AND I WAS AT ONE  
7    OF THE SIMULATIONS AND FESIA DAVENPORT IS GOING TO TELL YOU  
8    MORE ABOUT ONE OF THOSE LATER. BUT I WAS AT ONE OF THE  
9    SIMULATIONS LAST WEEK AT U.S.C. AND WAS REALLY IMPRESSED AT  
10    HOW THESE STAFF ARE GETTING TRAINING THAT I THINK IS FOUND IN  
11    NO OTHER JURISDICTION. SO IF YOU LOOK TO THE RIGHT-HAND SIDE  
12    THERE, YOU SEE THEIR HIRING GOAL IS 450. WE ALREADY HIRED  
13    ABOUT 41 PERCENT OF THE NUMBER OF THE WORKERS THAT WE NEED.  
14    AND WE BROUGHT BACK A FEW STAFF. BUT FOR THE MOST PART,  
15    THEY'RE BRAND NEW PEOPLE OUT OF THE SCHOOLS OF SOCIAL WORK. WE  
16    HAVE CONDITIONAL OFFERS IN TO 209. WE'RE GOING THROUGH THE  
17    PROCESS OF THE INTERVIEW AND LIVE SCAN. THOSE HAVE ALREADY  
18    BEEN COMPLETED. THEY'RE GOING THROUGH THE MEDICAL AND  
19    PSYCHOLOGICALS NOW. WE KNOW THAT THIS IS A PRETTY AGGRESSIVE  
20    PLAN. AND IN THE PAST, THE DEPARTMENT HAS ONLY EMPLOYED ABOUT  
21    HALF OR A THIRD THIS MANY. AND SO WE'VE WORKED WITH THE  
22    C.E.O.'S OFFICE AND D.H.R., LISA GARRETT, TO TRY TO COME UP  
23    WITH A PLAN TO MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE ENOUGH QUALIFIED  
24    APPLICANTS. AND SO WE'RE GOING TO BE WORKING WITH THE SCHOOLS  
25    OF SOCIAL WORK AND PARTICIPATING IN SOME RECRUITING FAIRS TO

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1 MAKE SURE THAT WE GET THE BEST AND BRIGHTEST TO APPLY. WE  
2 EXPECT THAT THERE WILL BE BETWEEN 100 AND 125 NEW M.S.W.S THAT  
3 WILL BE COMING OUT OF THE SCHOOLS OF SOCIAL WORK THAT WE'LL  
4 TRY TO PUT INTO THIS STREAM. AND THEY WON'T COME OUT UNTIL  
5 ABOUT JUNE OR JULY. SO I'M GOING TO TURN THIS OVER TO FISIA  
6 WHO WILL GIVE YOU A LITTLE BIT OF INFORMATION ABOUT THE  
7 TRAINING PROGRAM.

8

9 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** AND BEFORE I DO THAT, JUST ONE THING ON THE  
10 HIRING PLAN. SO WE HIRED 40 NEW SOCIAL WORKERS AT THE  
11 BEGINNING OF THIS MONTH. AND THAT'S REFLECTED ON THE CHART  
12 THAT AS OF JANUARY 17TH, WE HAVE A TOTAL OF 145 FOLKS. AND  
13 THEN WE JUST HAD ANOTHER CLASS THAT STARTED LAST FRIDAY, WHICH  
14 WAS ANOTHER 40. SO WE'VE BROUGHT ON A TOTAL OF 185 SOCIAL  
15 WORKERS AS OF JANUARY 31ST, WHICH PUTS US AT ABOUT 41 PERCENT  
16 OF OUR HIRING GOAL. ON THE TRAINING PLAN, PHILIP DISCUSS THE  
17 THE TRAINING THAT WE ROLLED OUT TO OUR NEW SOCIAL WORKERS AND  
18 HOW IT'S STATE-OF-THE-ART. AND THE QUESTION FOR US IS: WELL  
19 HOW ARE WE GOING TO PROVIDE THIS TRAINING FOR OUR EXISTING  
20 SOCIAL WORKERS? SO THE DEPARTMENT IS IN THE PROCESS OF  
21 DEVELOPING A MULTI-YEAR TRAINING PLAN. AND THE REASON WHY IT'S  
22 MULTIYEAR IS THERE IS A LOT OF COORDINATION THAT WILL BE  
23 REQUIRED TO TRAIN THIS NUMBER OF STAFF. OUR CASE CARRYING  
24 SOCIAL WORKERS. SO THE TRAINING PLAN IS GOING TO ADDRESS A  
25 NUMBER OF ISSUES. ONE IS IDENTIFY OUR TRAINING PRIORITIES. WE



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1 KNOW WHAT THOSE ARE. IT WILL BE THE FRONT END WORKERS AND OUR  
2 SUPERVISING SOCIAL WORKERS. THE TRAINING PLAN WILL ALSO  
3 ADDRESS WHICH TOPICS ARE YOU GOING TO FOCUS ON FIRST? AGAIN  
4 WE'RE TALKING ABOUT CAPACITY. HOW CAN WE TRAIN AS MANY OF OUR  
5 LINE CARRYING SOCIAL WORKERS AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE. IN TERMS  
6 OF US PRIORITIZING, WE KNOW WE NEED TO GET BACK TO THE BASICS  
7 AND FOCUS ON CONDUCTING CHILD ABUSE INVESTIGATIONS AND  
8 INTERVIEWING AND ASSESSMENT SKILLS. SO THOSE FRONT END  
9 WORKERS, WE KNOW THAT'S CRUCIAL AND CRITICAL FOR THEIR  
10 PRACTICE. RELATIVE TO YOUR OUR SOCIAL WORKERS, WE KNOW THAT WE  
11 NEED TO DEVELOP TRAINING ON PROFESSIONAL PRESENCE WITHIN THE  
12 OFFICE, TIME MANAGEMENT SKILLS. VERY BASIC THINGS THAT WE  
13 ASSUME THAT PEOPLE WHO APPLY FOR SOCIAL WORK POSITIONS, THEY  
14 MAY HAVE THESE SKILLS ALREADY, BUT WE HAVE NOT NECESSARILY  
15 FOCUSED ON PROVIDING A TRAINING ON THESE TOPICS IN THE PAST.  
16 IN TERMS OF THE TRAINING DELIVERY MODEL, THAT IS SOMETHING  
17 THAT WE WILL ADDRESS MORE FULLY IN OUR TRAINING PLAN. THE  
18 QUESTION FOR US IS WHAT IS THE MOST EFFECTIVE WAY TO ROLL OUT  
19 THIS TRAINING TO THIS LARGE NUMBER OF WORKERS? AND SO WE  
20 REALIZE THAT THE SIMULATION TRAINING IS VERY TIME INTENSIVE.  
21 IT REQUIRES A LOT OF PARTICIPATION, HANDS-ON PARTICIPATION  
22 FROM OUR LAW ENFORCEMENT CONSULTANTS AND FROM OUR OWN TRAINING  
23 STAFF. AND SO WE ARE LOOKING AT A NUMBER OF OPTIONS TO  
24 MAXIMIZE OUR TRAINING SCHEDULE, DOING SOME OF IT ONLINE. THAT  
25 WOULD INVOLVE SOCIAL WORKERS DOING SOME SORT OF PRE-WORK

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1 BEFORE THEY ACTUALLY PARTICIPATED IN A SIMULATION. DOING A  
2 SIMULATION. AND THEN DOING SOME TRADITIONAL CLASSROOM TRAINING  
3 WHERE YOU FOLLOW UP ON THE THINGS THAT YOU'VE LEARNED IN THE  
4 SIMULATION. SO WE'RE GOING TO LOOK AT A COMBINATION OF ALL OF  
5 THOSE THINGS TO MAKE SURE THAT THE TRAINING THAT WE'RE GOING  
6 TO ROLL OUT TO THE EXISTING SOCIAL WORKERS IS EFFICIENT AND  
7 RESPONSIVE AND MEETS THEIR NEEDS. ANOTHER ISSUE TO BE  
8 ADDRESSED IS THE TRAINING LOCATION. WHEN WE TALK ABOUT ROLLING  
9 OUT THIS TRAINING TO THIS NUMBER OF SOCIAL WORKERS, IT BECOMES  
10 A LOGISTICS QUESTION FOR US. DO WE KEEP THE TRAINING  
11 CENTRALIZED IN A CENTRAL LOCATION OR DO WE CENTRALIZE IT? WE  
12 KNOW THAT OUR UNIVERSITY PARTNERS CURRENTLY RUN FOUR TRAINING  
13 CENTERS. AND WE KNOW THAT THOSE TRAINING CENTERS WILL BE AT  
14 CAPACITY BECAUSE THEY WILL BE TRAINING AND WORKING WITH THE  
15 450 SOCIAL WORKERS THAT WE'RE BRINGING ON. AND SO THIS WILL --  
16 THIS PLAN WILL HAVE TO ADDRESS EXACTLY HOW WE PLAN TO ROLL OUT  
17 THE TRAINING SO THAT WE CAN DO IT, ROLL IT OUT TO OUR EXISTING  
18 WORKERS IN A REASONABLE AMOUNT OF TIME. AND THEN THIS LAST  
19 BULLET HERE RELATES TO THE LEVEL OF RESOURCES. ONE OF THE  
20 REASONS WHY THE SIMULATION TRAINING HAS BEEN SO SUCCESSFUL IS  
21 THAT WE HAVE HANDS-ON INVOLVEMENT FROM OUR LAW ENFORCEMENT  
22 PARTNERS. THEY ARE THERE AND THEY ACTIVELY PARTICIPATE.  
23 SOMETIMES THEY PARTICIPATE IN A ROLE PLAY. SOMETIMES THEY STOP  
24 AND PROVIDE ADVICE. SO ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE WILL HAVE TO  
25 FIGURE OUT, WORKING WITH THE SCHOOLS OF SOCIAL WORK, IS HOW

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1 CAN WE REPLICATE THAT? ROLL IT OUT TO ALL OF OUR EXISTING  
2 SOCIAL WORKERS. WE HAVE COMMITTED TO PROVIDING OUR TRAINING  
3 PLAN FOR OUR EXISTING SOCIAL WORKERS AND THE SUPERVISING  
4 SOCIAL WORKERS PROVIDING THAT PLAN IN THE NEXT 90 DAYS. AND  
5 THAT INFORMATION WILL BE PROVIDED TO ALL OF YOUR OFFICES. ONE  
6 OF OUR OTHER STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS IS OUR HOTLINE REDESIGNS.  
7 THE HOTLINE IS, AS MANY OF YOU KNOW, IS THE PLACE WHERE WE --  
8 OUR STAFF ACCEPTS CALLS REGARDING ALLEGATIONS OF CHILD ABUSE  
9 AND NEGLECT. AND SO OVER IN THE SUMMER, WE DID A BUSINESS  
10 PROCESS RE-ENGINEERING AND BASICALLY WALKED THROUGH THE  
11 PROCESS. AND THERE WERE A COUPLE OF THINGS THAT WERE  
12 REEMPHASIZED TO US OR THAT WE LEARNED DURING THE PROCESS. ONE  
13 IS THAT NOT ALL OF THE CALLS THAT ARE COMING INTO THE HOTLINE  
14 WERE EMERGENCIES. THEY DIDN'T ALL NECESSARILY RESULT IN A  
15 REFERRAL. TWO, THE OTHER THING THAT WE LEARNED IS WE NEEDED TO  
16 DEVELOP STANDARDS FOR THE TIME REQUIRED TO GENERATE A  
17 REFERRAL. WE FOUND THAT THERE WERE VARIANCES AMONG OUR STAFF  
18 WHO DEVELOPED -- WHO GENERATED SIMILAR REFERRALS. AND THE  
19 VARIANCES WERE WIDE. THE THIRD THING IS WE ALSO LEARNED THAT  
20 WE NEEDED TO DEVELOP STANDARDS ON THE TYPE OF INFORMATION  
21 THAT'S COLLECTED DURING THE CALL. WE FOUND THAT OVER THE  
22 YEARS, WORKERS HAD DEVELOPED THEIR OWN VERSIONS OF WHAT WE  
23 CALLED A DOCUMENT CALLED A SCREENER NARRATIVE IN THAT THEY  
24 WOULD NOT NECESSARILY ALL COLLECT THE SAME INFORMATION. AND SO  
25 WE REALIZED THAT THAT WAS PRODUCING SOMEWHAT OF AN

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1 INEFFICIENCY AND WE REALIZED THAT WE NEED TO STANDARDIZE THAT.  
2 AND THEN THE LAST THING WE LEARNED IS WE NEEDED TO SIMPLIFY  
3 THE PROCESS FOR REGIONAL OFFICE TO TRIGGER A REFERRAL. AND I'M  
4 GOING TO TALK ABOUT EACH OF THESE IN A LITTLE BIT MORE DETAIL.  
5 SO ASSESSMENT OF THE HOTLINE CALLS. DURING THE B.P.R., WE  
6 LOOKED AT THE NUMBER OF CALLS THAT CAME INTO THE HOTLINE AND  
7 WE LOOKED AT THE NUMBER THAT RESULTED IN A REFERRAL. AND THEN  
8 WE LOOKED AT THE NUMBERS THAT DIDN'T RESULT IN THE REFERRAL.  
9 AND WE REALIZED THAT WE WERE TAKING MANY CALLS, WHICH DIDN'T -  
10 - THEY WERE IMPORTANT, BUT THEY DIDN'T RESULT IN A REFERRAL.  
11 THEY WEREN'T NECESSARILY AN EMERGENCY. AND THE QUESTION  
12 BECOMES: WHAT IS THE BEST WAY TO HANDLE THOSE CALLS SO THAT WE  
13 CAN MAXIMIZE THE USE OF OUR SOCIAL WORKER RESOURCES AT THE  
14 HOTLINE? FOR EXAMPLE, WE RECEIVE CALLS FROM A YOUTH WHO HAS  
15 AWOL'D AND THEY WANT TO RETURN TO THE SYSTEM, THEY WANT TO  
16 RETURN EITHER TO THEIR PLACEMENT OR BE REPLACED IN A DIFFERENT  
17 PLACEMENT. WE RECEIVE PHONE CALLS REQUESTING GENERAL  
18 INFORMATION ABOUT PROBATION. OR REQUESTING INFORMATION ABOUT  
19 THEIR SOCIAL WORKER. WHO'S MY SOCIAL WORKER? WHAT OFFICE ARE  
20 THEY LOCATED? I HAVE THE NUMBER, BUT I DON'T HAVE IT WITH ME  
21 NOW. CAN YOU GIVE IT TO ME? SO ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE'RE  
22 ACTUALLY DOING RIGHT NOW, WE'RE DOING FOR THE FIRST HALF OF  
23 FEBRUARY IS WE ARE TAKING A COUNT AND WE'RE CATEGORIZING ALL  
24 OF THE CALLS THAT DON'T RESULT IN A REFERRAL. WE WANT TO KNOW  
25 VERY SPECIFICALLY HOW MANY CALLS ARE INFORMATION-ONLY? HOW

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1 MANY CALLS ARE REQUESTING INFORMATION ABOUT ANOTHER  
2 DEPARTMENT? ONCE WE HAVE THAT INFORMATION, WE WANT TO BE ABLE  
3 TO DEVELOP A PROTOCOL SO THAT WE MAY FIND OURSELVES IN A  
4 SITUATION WHERE WE CAN REFER THAT CALL VERY QUICKLY TO ANOTHER  
5 DEPARTMENT. FOR EXAMPLE, LIKE A WARM LINE. THE WHOLE IDEA HERE  
6 IS FOR US TO KNOW THE TYPES OF CALLS THAT DON'T RESULT IN A  
7 REFERRAL SO THAT WE CAN MANAGE OUR RESOURCES DOWN AT THE  
8 HOTLINE MORE EFFECTIVELY. ONE OF THE OTHER THINGS THAT WE  
9 LEARNED I MENTIONED EARLIER IS THE TIME TO GENERATE A  
10 REFERRAL. WE LEARNED THAT THE TIME TO GENERATE AMONG SOCIAL  
11 WORKERS VARIED. WE ACTUALLY POLLED OTHER LARGE CHILD WELFARE  
12 AGENCIES IN THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA REGION AND REALIZED THAT  
13 THEY HAD THE SAME ISSUE. AND SO ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE  
14 REALIZED IS THAT THE WORKERS DON'T REALLY HAVE A CLEAR  
15 EXPECTATION OF WHAT THE IDEAL AMOUNT OF TIME IS TO GENERATE A  
16 REFERRAL. AND SO WHAT WE NEED TO DO IS DEVELOP PROTOCOLS SO  
17 THAT WORKERS WILL HAVE A BETTER SENSE OF: THIS IS AN AVERAGE  
18 REFERRAL OF -- AN AVERAGE REFERRAL AND HERE'S THE AMOUNT OF  
19 TIME IT SHOULD TAKE ME TO GENERATE THIS REFERRAL. THE THIRD  
20 THING THAT WE DISCOVERED IN OUR B.P.R. IS, AGAIN, THE NEED FOR  
21 STANDARDIZATION. THERE WERE TWO IMPORTANT THINGS ONE, NOT ALL  
22 OF OUR WORKERS WERE COLLECTING THE SAME INFORMATION ON A CALL.  
23 OR THE INFORMATION THAT THEY WERE COLLECTING, SOME OF THE  
24 INFORMATION WAS MORE DETAILED THAN OTHERS. THIS, IN A WAY,  
25 GENERATES INEFFICIENCY BECAUSE WHEN THAT REFERRAL IS GENERATED

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1 AND IT'S SENT OUT TO A REGIONAL OFFICE, IT MAY REQUIRE -- AND  
2 IT LIKELY REQUIRES THE REGIONAL WORKER TO GO BACK AND DO SOME  
3 ADDITIONAL WORK. AND SO ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE DID IS WE  
4 DEVELOPED A PROTOCOL FOR STANDARDIZING THE INFORMATION  
5 COLLECTED. WE USED A DOCUMENT CALLED A SCREENER NARRATIVE. AND  
6 WE HAVE AUTOMATED THE SCREENER NARRATIVE WITH DROPDOWN MENUS.  
7 THE WHOLE IDEA HERE IS TO STANDARDIZE THE INFORMATION THAT'S  
8 COLLECTED SO THAT WHEN THE INFORMATION IS -- SO THAT IT CAN  
9 INCREASE THE QUALITY OF THE REFERRAL THAT'S PRODUCED. THE SAVE  
10 THING APPLIES TOWARD INDIVIDUALS WITH PRIOR HISTORY. ONE OF  
11 THE THINGS THAT WE LEARNED IS THE SOCIAL WORKERS WERE NOT  
12 NECESSARILY SEARCHING THE SAME WAY, NOR WERE THEY SEARCHING IN  
13 A WAY THAT MAXIMIZED THE POTENTIAL THAT THEY WOULD ACTUALLY  
14 DISCOVER INDIVIDUALS WITH PRIOR HISTORIES. AND SO ONE OF THE  
15 THINGS THAT WE'VE DONE IS WE'VE DEVELOPED A TEMPLATE FOR  
16 WORKERS TO FOLLOW SO THAT WHEN THEY'RE SEARCHING, AND LET'S  
17 SAY THERE IS A DIFFERENT SPELLING OF A NAME, WE'VE HELPED THEM  
18 TO IDENTIFY WAYS THAT THEY CAN CONDUCT THAT SEARCH AND EVEN IF  
19 ONE LETTER IS OFF, THAT THEY CAN STILL POTENTIALLY CATCH THAT  
20 INFORMATION AS THEY'RE CONDUCTING THE SEARCH FOR THE PRIOR  
21 HISTORY. AND THE LAST THING THAT WE LEARNED IN OUR B.P.R. IS.  
22 IT'S GENERATING INFORMATION FOR THE REGIONAL OFFICES. WE WERE  
23 RECEIVING FOLLOWUP INFORMATION ON REFERRALS. AND WHEN WE  
24 RECEIVE THAT FOLLOWUP INFORMATION THAT NEEDED TO GO TO  
25 REGIONAL OFFICE, WE WERE NOT NECESSARILY TRANSMITTING THAT

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1 INFORMATION IN THE MOST EFFECTIVE WAY POSSIBLE. SO WE WERE  
2 BASICALLY USING A LOT OF PAPER: FAXES AND MAILINGS. SO ONE OF  
3 THE THINGS THAT WE DID IS WE WORKED WITH I.S.D. TO CREATE A  
4 SHARED DRIVE SO THAT ALL OF THIS INFORMATION CAN BE UPLOADED  
5 ELECTRONICALLY AND PULLED BY THE WORKERS WHO NEED TO SEE IT.  
6 AND THEN WE ALSO CREATED A PROCESS TO IDENTIFY HOW THE  
7 INFORMATION IS UPLOADED INTO IF SYSTEM SO THAT A WORKER IN A  
8 REGIONAL OFFICE COULD QUICKLY GO TO THAT SHARE DRIVE AND PULL  
9 THE DOCUMENTATION THAT RELATES TO REFERRALS ASSIGNED TO THAT  
10 OFFICE THESE ARE FOUR TASKS OR FOUR THINGS THAT WE LEARNED  
11 DURING OUR B.P.R. THAT EACH OF THEM INDIVIDUALLY, THEY'RE NOT  
12 NECESSARILY HUGE ITEMS, BUT WHEN YOU ADD THEM UP COLLECTIVELY,  
13 THEY CREATE DRAG ON THE SYSTEM. AND SO WE HAVE MADE THE  
14 IMPROVEMENTS AMONG OUR CHILD PROTECTION HOTLINE STAFF TO  
15 INCREASE OUR EFFICIENCY. WE WANTED TO STANDARDIZE INFORMATION,  
16 WE WANT TO REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF TIME THAT IT TAKES TO GENERATE  
17 A REFERRAL AND WE WANT TO PRODUCE HIGHER QUALITY REFERRALS.

18  
19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ANY QUESTIONS? GLORIA, ANY  
20 QUESTIONS? MIKE? THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH. THANK YOU FOR THE  
21 UPDATE. APPRECIATE IT VERY MUCH. VERY THOROUGH. OKAY. THAT  
22 COMPLETES -- OH, EXCUSE ME. EXCUSE ME. RECEIVE AND FILE ITEM,  
23 BUT WE DO HAVE SPEAKERS. JABRIEL MOHAMMED. DR. GENEVIEVE  
24 CLAVREUL AND ARNOLD SACHS.



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1    **JABRIEL MOHAMMED:** GOOD AFTERNOON SUPERVISORS THIS IS JABRIEL  
2    MOHAMMED FROM (INAUDIBLE) JUSTICE MOVEMENT. I'M SITTING HERE  
3    LISTENING TO THE REPORT ON THE CHILDREN FAMILY SERVICES.  
4    CHILDREN, FAMILY THAT SOUNDS LIKE A PARENT TO ME. SERVICES  
5    THAT'S WHAT WE'RE TO PROVIDE OUR CHILDREN. AND IN THIS  
6    TRAINING THAT I AM LISTENING TO THE DISSERTATION ON THE PART  
7    OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES AND I GOT STUCK ON THE  
8    TRAINING PART. AND IN NO WAY WAS THERE INCLUSIVE IN THAT  
9    TRAINING ANY SESSIONS WITH THE PARENTS. THE PARENTS I'VE  
10    ENCOUNTERED WHO HAVE INVOLVED THEMSELVES WITH THE CHILDREN  
11    FAMILY SERVICES HAVE NOTHING BUT COMPLAINTS IN REGARDS TO  
12    THAT. I FOUND THAT TO BE INTERESTING. AND NOW I SEE IS  
13    INSENSITIVITY, WE'RE DRAWING THE LINES. YOU'RE SAYING WE'RE  
14    GOING TO SERVICE OUR CHILDREN GOING TO SERVICE THE FAMILIES  
15    BUT EXCLUDE THE PARENTS? I FEEL THIS IS JUST AS MUCH ENERGY  
16    SPENT TO CONSIDER THE SOCIAL WORKERS WE SHOULD CONSIDER THE  
17    ENERGY SPENT TO FAMILIARIZE THE PARENTS WITH WHAT'S GOING ON  
18    SO THERE IS NOT SO MUCH INSENSITIVITY THAT WAS DISPLAYED BY  
19    THE FATHER HERE, EXCUSE ME THE FATHER AND HIS CHILDREN IN HIS  
20    REGARDS TO THE CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES. SO I'M SAYING  
21    LET'S TAKE A BUDGET AND FOCUS ON THE TRAINING OF THE PARENTS  
22    SO THAT WE CAN GET BETTER SENSITIVITY AND SO THAT THEY, IN  
23    FACT, CAN BE THE WORKERS SOCIALLY INVOLVED WITH THE SERVICES  
24    OF THEIR FAMILY. I MAKE A MOTION THAT WE COME UP WITH THE  
25    BUDGET CLOSE TO 10 MILLION DOLLARS FOR THE SAKE OF EDUCATING

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1 THE PARENTS OF THE CHILDREN REGARDING CHILDREN FAMILY  
2 SERVICES.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

5

6 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS.  
7 AND IT'S FASCINATING. THE BOARD MOVING AS IT NORMALLY DOES.  
8 JUST INTERESTING. YOU EARLIER HAD YOUR ITEM NUMBER 10 WHICH  
9 WAS THE DISCUSSION ABOUT THE BLUE RIBBON COMMITTEE. THEY LEAVE  
10 AND NOW YOU HAVE THE STRATEGIC PLAN AND BUDGET PRIORITIES OF  
11 THE CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES. SO IT'S GOOD TO KNOW THAT  
12 THE STRATEGIC PLAN AND BUDGET PRIORITIES ARE DIRECTED AT THE  
13 CHILD PROTECTION HOTLINE AND THE CHANGES THAT ARE INVOLVED  
14 THERE. YOU KNOW, YOU DID THIS ONCE ALREADY WITH THE JAIL HOUSE  
15 COMMISSION. YOU'D HAVE THE JAIL HOUSE COMMISSION COME IN AND  
16 THEY WOULD LEAVE AND THEN MERRICK BOBB WOULD COME IN AND HE  
17 WOULD GIVE HIS, OR VICE VERSA, WHICHEVER WAY YOU WANT TO DO  
18 IT. BUT ONE DOOR OPENS AND ANOTHER ONE CLOSES. THERE'S NEVER A  
19 CONNECT HERE. SO LET'S SEE. THERE WAS A DISCUSSION WHEN YOU  
20 HAD THE BLUE RIBBON COMMITTEE HERE ABOUT INTERIM  
21 RECOMMENDATIONS. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY MENTIONED THAT HE  
22 LISTENED AND WATCHED. AND YOU EVEN MENTIONED THAT YOU'RE GOING  
23 TO GET BEAUCOUP RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE BLUE RIBBON  
24 COMMITTEE. AND BOTH OF YOU, NEITHER ONE OF YOU REALLY  
25 SUPPORTED THAT BLUE RIBBON COMMITTEE WHEN IT WAS FIRST

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1 AUTHORIZED. AS A MATTER OF FACT, YOU CAME OUT AND SAID,  
2 SUPERVISOR KNABE, THAT YOU HAD 860, OVER 860 RECOMMENDATIONS.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I ACTUALLY AGREE YOU WITH YOU, THANK  
5 YOU.

6

7 **ARNOLD SACHS:** AND SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY HAD A BOOK THE SIZE A  
8 BIBLE, ONLY TWICE AS LARGE. SO IF THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS, 860,  
9 HOW MANY HAVE YOU LOOKED AT, SIR, IN THE SEVEN MONTHS THAT THE  
10 BLUE RIBBON COMMITTEE HAS COME OUT AND BEEN INVOLVED? HOW MANY  
11 OF THESE 10 RECOMMENDATIONS THAT YOU JUST AUTHORIZED. AND BY  
12 THE WAY, I FOUND OUT THAT TWO OF THEM, ONE OF THEM ACTUALLY IS  
13 STATE LAW. SO YOU'RE ACTUALLY SUPPORTING A STATE LAW THAT'S  
14 BEEN ON THE BOOKS, UNLIKE THE GOLD LINE CONSTRUCTION  
15 AUTHORITY, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. AND YOU'RE AGREEING WITH THE  
16 STATE LAW. SO THAT'S A LOT OF MOVEMENT FROM THE BOARD.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

19

20 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YEAH. I GOT A MOVEMENT FOR THE BOARD. OH, YOU  
21 DON'T WANT ME TO DO THAT.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MR. PREVEN? IT IS ERIC PREVEN THE COUNTY  
24 RESIDENT FROM DISTRICT 3. AND IT IS CONFUSING TO HAVE TWO  
25 DIFFERENT D.C.F.S. REPORTS, ONE THAT WE JUST HEARD ABOUT THE

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1 REFERRAL PROCESS AND GETTING THE PHONE SYSTEMS WORKING  
2 EFFICIENTLY, WHICH I THINK IS ALSO INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT. WE  
3 DEFINITELY WANT TO IMPROVE THAT PROCESS. BUT EARLIER IN THE  
4 DAY WE HEARD ABOUT THE TWO COMPETING SETS OF 80 NURSES, 80 IN  
5 D.C.F.S. AND 80 IN PUBLIC HEALTH AND HOW THERE'S A FAILURE  
6 CURRENTLY TO PUT THEM ALL FORWARD DOING THE JOB THAT WE EXPECT  
7 THEM TO BE DOING TO THE BEST OF THEIR ABILITY TO PROTECT THESE  
8 CHILDREN WHEN THERE'S A SITUATION OR A CRISIS. I DON'T KNOW  
9 WHAT TO SAY. I KNOW THINGS HAVE NOT BEEN GOING WELL IN THIS  
10 GROUP FOR A VERY LONG TIME. AND I FEEL A DEGREE OF SYMPATHY  
11 FOR THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS BECAUSE I KNOW IT'S YOUR  
12 RESPONSIBILITY TO TUNE UP THESE GIANT BUREAUCRACIES AND IT'S  
13 HARD. I MEAN, SUPERVISOR MOLINA, THAT'S A CRY FOR HELP EARLIER  
14 WHAT I HEARD. I HEARD HOW CAN WE GET THIS DONE? MAYOR  
15 ANTONOVICH INVOKED GEORGE W. BUSH, WHICH WAS AN INTERESTING  
16 ASPECT BECAUSE BACK IN A DIFFERENT ADMINISTRATION THEY WERE  
17 ABLE TO GET SOME EFFECTIVE THINGS DONE. MAYBE THAT PROCESS  
18 NEEDS TO BE REINVIGORATED. I HEARD IT'S THE STATE NOW THAT IS  
19 QUASI-PREVENTING US FROM DEPLOYING PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES INTO  
20 THAT SPACE WHERE WE NEED THEM WHERE WE NEED THEM FRESH EYES  
21 WHO ARE GOING TO MAKE EVALUATIONS THAT WILL HELP AND RESCUE  
22 OFTEN THESE CHILDREN. HOW WE'RE GOING TO DO THAT? YOU KNOW,  
23 I'D LIKE TO GET INTO IT. I'D LIKE TO STOP CYCLING BACK AND  
24 COMING AROUND TO ANOTHER. SO FEBRUARY 21 THERE IT IS. 1:30  
25 P.M. I THINK THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION MEETS IN THIS ROOM.

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1 WHY DOESN'T THIS TEAM SEND THEIR DEPUTY? MAYBE YOU'RE ALREADY  
2 COVERING THIS VERY, VERY CAREFULLY. MAYBE NOT. BUT WE NEED TO  
3 BRING EVERYBODY INTO THE SAME DIRECTION SO THAT WE'RE ALL  
4 PULLING IN THE SAME DIRECTION AS OPPOSED TO HAVING RIVAL  
5 REPORTS AND DIFFERENT ENTITIES, JOCKEYING FOR POSITION. I  
6 THINK WE CAN DO BETTER. AND I APPRECIATE YOUR EFFORT. AND I  
7 THINK THE C.E.O. IN HIS SERVICE INTEGRATION --

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT WE'RE GOING TO PUBLIC COMMENT.  
10 STEPHON BECKAM. MELIA COOK. SANDRA OROZCO. DAVID JACKSON.  
11 OSCAR MUHAMMAD.

12

13 **STEPHON BECKAM:** THIS IS DIRECTED TOWARD MICHAEL ANTONOVICH AND  
14 ZEN, WHATEVER HIS NAME FROM THE THIRD DISTRICT. I TRIED TO GET  
15 IN TOUCH WITH YOU, TONY BELL. MAKE A LONG STORY SHORT, WORKERS  
16 IN THE OFFICE AT THE WELFARE OFFICE, I AIN'T NEVER BEEN ON  
17 WELFARE. I'VE BEEN ON WELFARE FOR FIVE MONTHS. THEY ARE  
18 MISLEADING ME. THEY LED ME DOWN A ROAD. I'M HOMELESS BECAUSE  
19 PEOPLE HAVE LIED, MADE MISTAKES. AND EVERYBODY I SPEAK TO KEEP  
20 SAYING WELL "WE MADE A MISTAKE, I'M SORRY." BUT YOU AFFECTED  
21 MY WHOLE FAMILY. AND I HAVE A FAMILY OF EIGHT. AND TO ANSWER  
22 "YOU MADE A MISTAKE", I MADE SOME MISTAKES. I SERVED NINE  
23 YEARS IN PENITENTIARY BECAUSE I MADE MISTAKES. SO SOMEBODY  
24 TELLING ME YOU MADE MISTAKES AND CAUSED MY FAMILY TROUBLE? AND

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1 THEY WIPE THEIR HANDS CLEAN OF IT AND NOBODY IS DOING  
2 ANYTHING ABOUT IT?

3

4 **SUP ANTONOVICH:** DO YOU HAVE (INAUDIBLE)?

5

6 **STEPHON BECKAM:** YES.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY GO OVER HERE AND I'LL HAVE MY DEPUTY  
9 COME TALK TO YOU. IS IT TONY? IT'S ALREADY BEEN RESOLVED OR  
10 NOT?

11

12 **JOSEPH MAIZLISH:** YES.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IT'S BEEN RESOLVED?

15

16 **STEPHON BECKAM:** IT AIN'T BEEN RESOLVED BECAUSE I'M STILL  
17 HOMELESS.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. LET ME HAVE THE DEPARTMENT TALK TO YOU.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT? GO AHEAD.

22

23 **SANDRA OROZCO:** GOOD AFTERNOON COUNTY OFFICIALS. MY NAME IS  
24 SANDRA OROZCO, I'M A SOUTHEAST POLITICAL ACTIVIST A VOICE FOR  
25 THOSE WHO SUFFER FROM MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS. I COME BEFORE THE

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1 LOS ANGELES COUNTY OFFICIALS TO GIVE A POSITIVE NOTE. YOUR  
2 COUNTY SERVICES ARE IMPRESSIVE AND ARE AWESOME. GLORIA MOLINA,  
3 LET ME GIVE YOU A SHOUTOUT. YOU HAVE GIVEN ME THE HIGHEST  
4 MEDICAL CARE, A COUNTY THAT PROVIDES. I'M A PATIENT AT RANCHO  
5 LOS AMIGOS MEDICAL CENTER, WHICH IS COUNTY. I'VE HAD M.S. FOR  
6 THE PAST 21 YEARS. M.S. AWARENESS MONTH IS MARCH. I WILL  
7 CONTACT YOU TO GIVE M.S. PRESENTATION. I WILL OBTAIN  
8 PROCLAMATIONS FOR M.S. FROM THE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS IN THE  
9 SOUTHEAST REGION. CONGRESSWOMAN LUCILLE ROYBALL-ALLARD WAS  
10 ABLE TO SECURE 116 MILLION DOLLARS OF M.S. RESEARCH ALONG WITH  
11 OTHER MEDICAL CONDITIONS. THE L.A. SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IS IN  
12 THE CITIES OF CUDAHAY AND MAYWOOD, ANOTHER COUNTY PROVIDER.  
13 SINCE JULY 10, 2010, THE SHERIFFS TOOK OVER THE CITY OF  
14 MAYWOOD AND CUDAHAY. WE WELCOME THE SHERIFFS. THEY ARE  
15 TRANSPARENT, ETHICAL AND PROFESSIONAL. MY LAST STATEMENT TODAY  
16 ON FRIDAY, OR ACTUALLY THE SECOND TO LAST, ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY  
17 THE 7TH I WILL BE CELEBRATING MY BIRTHDAY. I'LL BE 29 YEARS  
18 OLD AGAIN. YOU ARE ALL WELCOME TO COME TO MY BIRTHDAY  
19 CELEBRATION WHICH WILL BE HELD THIS FRIDAY AT 7:00 AT STEVEN'S  
20 STEAKHOUSE. A LOT OF NEWS REPORTERS AND A LOT OF PEOPLE WILL  
21 BE THERE. GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS.

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23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. TIME'S UP. THANK YOU VERY  
24 MUCH.

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1    **SANDRA OROZCO:** ONE MORE STATEMENT. I ALMOST DIED OF THE M.S.,  
2    OF THE DEADLY VIRUS, THE FLU VIRUS. AND THREE WEEKS AGO I WAS  
3    TAKEN IN AND I THOUGHT I WAS GOING TO DIE. BUT IT WAS NOT MY  
4    TIME. I WANT EVERYBODY TO KNOW THAT IT'S VERY IMPERATIVE THAT  
5    YOU GET THE VACCINE FOR THE FLU VIRUS. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR  
6    ALLOWING ME TO TALK. HAVE A GOOD DAY.

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8    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. HAVE A GOOD DAY. GRACE YOO,  
9    ARE YOU STILL HERE? OSCAR MUHAMMAD, ERIC PREVIN, ARNOLD SACHS  
10   AND JOHN WALSH.

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12   **OSCAR MUHAMMAD:** MY NAME IS OSCAR MUHAMMAD, I SPEAK FOR THE  
13   OPPRESSED AND STRUGGLING POOR AND SPEAK FOR THE OPPRESSED. I'D  
14   LIKE TO TALK ABOUT BLACK HISTORY. FEBRUARY IS BLACK HISTORY  
15   MONTH. HISTORIAN CARTER J. WILSON HE FOUNDED BLACK HISTORY  
16   MONTH TO EDUCATE BLACK AMERICA ABOUT THEIR PAST. IF WE DON'T  
17   KNOW TOO MUCH ABOUT OUR PAST, WE MIGHT NOT KNOW TOO OF ABOUT  
18   OUR FUTURE BECAUSE OUR FUTURE MIGHT BECOME OUR PAST IF WE  
19   STILL LIVE. I'D LIKE TO ALSO SPEAK ABOUT SPORT AND PLAY IN  
20   AMERICA. I SEEN WHERE WHAT WE CALL SATAN IS DEFENSE OF THE  
21   AIRWAVES. HE TURNS THE PEOPLE AGAINST GOD IN AMERICA. AMERICA  
22   IS THE ATHEIST COUNTRY, THOUGH. AND I'D ALSO LIKE TO SPEAK  
23   ABOUT SLAVE LABOR AND SLAVES. AMERICA BUILT UPON SLAVE LABOR  
24   AND CHEAP LABOR. AND IT HAS TRANSFORMED TODAY. WE FIND THE  
25   MINORITY OF THE PEOPLE IN AMERICA WORKS ON THE SLAVE LABOR IN

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1 AMERICA. AND THE MINIMUM WAGE LAWS SHOULD BE 25 DOLLARS AN  
2 HOUR AFTER TAX. WHY THE PEOPLE ON TOP OF THE BUSINESS  
3 INSTRUCTOR MAKES SIX AND SEVEN DIGIT FIGURES A YEAR.

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

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7 **OSCAR MUHAMMAD:** BUT THIS IS A VIOLATION OF MY CIVIL RIGHTS BY  
8 CUTTING THE MINUTES RIGHT. YOU VIOLATING OUR CIVIL RIGHTS.

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

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12 **OSCAR MUHAMMAD:** THAT'S AGAINST THE LAW.

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14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MR. SACHS?

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16 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, ARNOLD SACHS. AND THERE IS NO LAW BUT THE  
17 SUPERVISOR LAW. JEEPERS, THEY CUT TIME AT THE M.T.A. BOARD  
18 MEETING. 16 YEARS OF POLICY. OH, THAT'S RIGHT. FOR WHAT  
19 PURPOSE? BECAUSE WE HAVE A LOT OF DECISIONS TO MAKE. SO  
20 ACTUALLY DIDN'T GET A CHANCE TO CONGRATULATE THE M.T.A. BOARD  
21 ON THE BREAKING WIND OF THE CRENSHAW LINE. MORE GAS FROM THE  
22 BOARD. A 1 BILLION -- 2 BILLION DOLLAR PROJECT THAT'S GOING TO  
23 BE -- DOESN'T GET TO THE AIRPORT BUT IT'S CLOSE. IT'S GETTING  
24 CLOSE. ANOTHER 20, 30 YEARS AND WE'RE GOING TO CONSIDER A  
25 TUNNEL. SO PRAY TELL HOW WILL THE TUNNEL BE PAID FOR? BECAUSE

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1 PROP A AND PROP C MONEY CAN'T BE USED FOR TUNNELING SO MEASURE  
2 R FUNDING, THAT WASN'T INCLUDED. BUT WE KNOW THE M.T.A.  
3 BOARD'S GOT A PLAN. DO YOU KNOW WHY WE KNOW? BECAUSE THE BOARD  
4 OF SUPERVISORS SITS ON THE M.T. A. BOARD. AND WE KNOW THE  
5 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HAS THE PLAN, TOO. STEAL THAT MONEY.

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7 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES, IT'S ERIC PREVEN. IN CONCLUSION TODAY, I  
8 WANTED TO JUST DRAW ATTENTION TO AN ITEM THAT CAME UP EARLIER  
9 AND I DIDN'T GET A CHANCE TO ADDRESS IT, HAD TO DO WITH THE  
10 DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE IS GOING TO BE DEPLOYING SOME ASSET  
11 FORFEITURE MONIES TOWARDS NEW VEHICLES. AND YOU KNOW THE  
12 FLEETS OF L.A. COUNTY ARE LARGE AND VAST. AND I READ SOME  
13 OTHER COUNTIES HAVE SAVED A FORTUNE BY CONTAINING THE SIZE OF  
14 THE FLEET AND NOT PUTTING PEOPLE IN CARS IF WE DON'T NEED TO.  
15 GLORIA MOLINA KNOWS THAT A LOT OF LAWSUITS HAPPEN WHEN CAR  
16 ACCIDENTS HAPPEN. SO THE BEST WE CAN DO, FOR THAT SAID, PEOPLE  
17 ARE GOING TO NEED CARS. THERE ARE 58 IN THIS SMALL GROUP AND  
18 WE'RE GETTING 25 NEW ONES FOR 750,000 DOLLARS IN MONEY. NOW  
19 THAT'S A LOT OF MONEY. BUT THAT'S 30,000 BUCKS A CAR. SO  
20 THAT'S REASONABLE. BUT I READ THAT THERE ARE LIKE 300  
21 INVESTIGATORS AT THE D.A. WHY DO WE HAVE 300 INVESTIGATORS?  
22 THEN I LEARNED PUBLIC INTEGRITY, IT'S FRAUD. BUT WHAT ARE THEY  
23 INVESTIGATING? I MEAN, HONESTLY, IS THIS A GOOD USE OF  
24 IMPORTANT VITAL RESOURCES? THEY CAN USE THAT MONEY FOR  
25 ANYTHING. I MEAN IS THAT WHAT WE REALLY THINK IS A NEW FLEET?

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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. READ US INTO CLOSED SESSION,  
3 PLEASE.

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5 **LORAYNE LINGAT:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,  
6 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL  
7 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NUMBER CS-1,  
8 DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS AND ITEM NUMBER CS-2,  
9 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING LITIGATION AS  
10 INDICATED ON THE POSTED AND SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDAS. THANK YOU.

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